

NEEDLESS PANIC BRINGS DEATH TO MANY CHILDREN

EIGHTY PERSONS, MOSTLY CHILDREN DIE IN PANIC CAUSED BY FALSE ALARM OF FIRE

Christmas Celebration by Copper Mine Strikers In Calumet Is Quickly Changed to Scene of Horror as Man in Rear of Room Yells "Fire" --Lives of Children Instantly Snuffed Out as Elders Tramp Them Down In Frenzy to Reach Exit--Parents Become Frantic In Search for Missing Little Ones.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 24.—Eighty persons, mostly children were killed tonight at a Christmas celebration by copper mine strikers in Italian hall because of a needless panic caused by a false alarm of fire.

While seven hundred miners and their wives looked on, scores of children pressed eagerly toward the stage to receive Christmas presents, a man stuck his head in at the door of the hall and yelled "fire."

The cry of alarm was instantly taken up by those in the hall. Every one started for the doors. The crush prevented movement. The weaker were thrown to the floor and those behind tried to climb over the human impediment. In a few minutes the panic was stopped by the fact that the stairway and the other avenues of egress were blocked so effectively that those inside could not get out and those without could not get in to aid the maimed and remove the dead.

The alarm was spread outside the hall by a few persons who had escaped unhurt. A crowd soon assembled and the work of clearing the hall was begun.

Stairway Filled With Bodies.

The only regular exit was a narrow stairway at the back of the hall. When this had been cleared of the bodies that filled it to the top, seventy-four corpses had been piled up beside the building. It was thought that probably a dozen more had been carried away by friends.

The dead included 37 girls, 19 boys, 13 women and five men. The excited relatives stood about the building some dazed by the sudden change from holiday festivities to tragedy, others calling hysterically for a missing child and a few even threatening violence to the rescuers for keeping them back from the long row of bodies.

Not Much Work for Doctors.

There was not much work for the many doctors who hurried to the scene for those who were not killed in the first rush were held upright and safe by the force of the onrush toward the exit. Only three injured persons were taken to hospitals and a few went home with the assistance of friends.

Second Floor Packed Full.

For many days the children of the copper mine strikers had waited anxiously for the free Christmas tree exercises that had been arranged by the "Woman's Auxiliary of the Western Federation of Miners."

The entertainment was set for the early evening and the hall, which is on the second floor was soon filled to its limit. The children selected to recite Christmas selections and sing carols had finished their part of the program and the man selected to play the part of Santa Claus had appeared in his gala dress to distribute the presents that were piled around the large, prettily lighted tree.

The children were instructed to march up the aisles to the tree so that the presents could be handed to them. The aisles were filled with the boys and girls when a large man with a heavy beard like the one usually pictured as belonging to St. Nicholas, put his head in at the door of the main hall way and yelled "fire."

Woman Seizes Man Who Calls.

Mrs. Caesar, who was near the door, realized the danger of the act and seized the man by the shoulders and tried to counteract the alarm. It was useless. The man tore loose from her grasp and dashed away. The fatal word had reached the ears of many in the hall and it was repeated throughout the room.

"Fire," was shouted in several languages as fond parents rose and rushed forward to get their children. Their lives were crushed out in almost a twinkling. Then the physical impossibility of further movement brought the panic stricken persons to their senses. It was realized too late that there was no fire but most of those in the hall could not get out of the jam that they had caused.

Bodies Taken Back Into Hall.

Police and firemen hurried to the building only to find the hallway impassably blocked because of the congestion of the bodies. Several officers climbed the fire escapes and entered through the windows. In a short time the uninjured and the

ed. She and other women had been intent on keeping the children in line and orderly as they were eager to see what Santa Claus had brought them.

She said that the women in charge tried to stem the onrush and quiet the people but that their cries, warning the people that nothing was wrong, were futile.

Children Had No Chance.

The children even were seized with panic, but the smaller ones, many not more than five years old, were soon deprived of fear with the snuffing out of their lives under the heels of the larger persons, who blindly or because impelled by those behind, trod their very offspring to death. One man was seen to stoop to take up his little girl only to be pushed with great force to trod her beneath him. A woman who ran to grasp three small boys was crushed to death with them.

One child, about five years old who was too greatly frightened to give her name made her way unharmed to the street by way of the fire escape after all others who were free had fled. She had been knocked down by the mad rush, but no one had stepped on her as she was near the tail end of the line.

Search For Man Who Called.

Search was begun tonight for the man who caused the panic. Some of the strikers asserted that they had reason to believe that the man was a member of the Citizens' Alliance, recently organized to restore law and order in the mining field during the strike, which began several months ago. This charge was denied by alliance members, hundreds of whom were early on the scene caring for the injured and bereaved.

It was said by those near the door that the man came up stairs from a saloon below and that his breath, blown forth with the word "fire" smelled strongly of alcohol. It was said by some of those present that the man may have been in a mauling condition and shouted the word without any thought as to what he was doing.

Many men in the crowd about the hall after the fatal accident, swore vengeance if the man could be found. It is feared that the men may renew hostilities.

To Make Investigation.

The coroner tonight began to impanel a jury to make a thorough investigation of the disaster.

Meetings will be held Christmas Day to decide whether to hold a general funeral with a procession composed of nearly every resident of Calumet.

Holiday Festivities in Many Private Homes Were Saddened Tonight by the Disaster.

Many parents suspended decoration of family Christmas trees out of respect for the childless homes that resulted from the panic.

Among the men killed in the hall was John F. Westola, secretary of the Finnish Mutual Life Insurance company of Calumet.

Try To Relieve Distress.

Citizens of Calumet and Houghton rallied tonight to the aid of those bereaved by the panic. By 9 o'clock residents of Houghton had pledged \$1,200 and a committee was appointed to take charge of additional subscriptions. This action was taken at a public meeting at which resolutions were adopted pledging the residents there to do all in their power to relieve the distress here.

Public meetings have been called for Christmas afternoon by mayors of Red Jacket and Laurium, nearby villages. Everything possible will be done to aid relatives of the victims it was promised tonight.

Arrangements already are underway for a public funeral of the eighty dead and the suspension of all work in the copper mining district during the exercises is probable.

Whole Families Wiped Out.

In several instances nearly whole families were wiped out by the disaster. Mattie Kotjarvi and his wife, and two daughters were killed. Christian Klarich and two daughters lost their lives leaving Mrs. Klarich as the only member of the family. Mrs. Henry Isola, who is believed to be dead, had her little boy and girl by the hand when the panic started. The boy was torn from his mother and finally got out of the building safely, but the little girl was smothered to death. The mother's body was not found near that of the girl and it is believed that she was crushed after the mother was separated from her.

A large number of families lost two or more children.

Will Accept No Aid.

President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners said tonight: "I have wired President Wilson, Governor Ferris, Secretary of Labor Wilson and Secretary Morrison of the American Federation of Labor, acquainting them with the details of tonight's disaster and urging immediate national and state investigations into the cause. My information is to the effect that no striker or any one in sympathy with the strike brought about the catastrophe. There are many who testify that a

ARENZVILLE SUFFERS DISASTROUS FIRE

MAIN PORTION OF TOWN WIPED OUT BY FLAMES.

Conflagration Which Originated in Club Room at 1:30 (Thursday A. M.) Spread Rapidly, Destroying Several Establishments Including Opera House Block, Containing Post Office—Asks Aid of Jacksonville Fire Department.

Fire which broke out shortly after 1:30 o'clock this (Thursday) morning in the Young Men's club room at Arenzville threatened to destroy the entire town. With the fire fighters trying to save the Shrewsbury general store, the men had little hopes of stopping the blaze which already had burned seven establishments. The flames destroyed the following:

Jake Becker, saloon.
J. H. Wells, saloon.
John Neiman, residence.
Post Office.
Wood and Houston General Store.
Opera House.
Lovekamp's Harness Store.
Bowling's Restaurant.

When the blaze was first discovered it had gained such headway in the club rooms, which is immediately back of Becker's saloon that the entire premises were doomed. With only a chemical cart, the few men who had been called began heroically at work endeavoring to check the conflagration. A special effort was made at the Neiman property. Wells' saloon is situated below and the Neiman family used the upstairs as a residence. So close was the fire upon them that they barely escaped with their lives.

The Post office proved an easy prey for the flames. Nothing could be gotten out of the building and there perished a considerable quantity of mail with some valuable Christmas packages.

From the Post office the flames jumped to the grocery store of Wood and Houston, which with the Post office, Opera house, harness shop and Bowling restaurant occupy the same building. When the fire reached this building it gained rapid headway and the crowd which had gathered at this time, although greatly increased in numbers was powerless to gain entrance to the building so intense were the flames.

With no protection and the wind favorable the flames looked destined to destroy the Shrewsbury general store and Mallicoat's saloon, both buildings located on the south side of the street.

Much confusion followed the discovery of the blaze and no organization could be perfected that could avail anything. No one knows how the flames started but it is certain that its origin was in the club room. One business man of Arenzville stated this morning that it was by far the worst fire in the history of the village and would run up into a loss of several thousands of dollars.

Chief J. C. Woods of the local fire department was asked for assistance but as one of the engines is now being repaired he was unable to send an engine. Mr. Woods offered to send 1,000 feet of fire hose if Arenzville could get an engine from Beardstown. Mr. Woods was then asked to send some chemicals but as the hose wagon only carries 40 gallons of chemical Mr. Woods didn't think this sufficient to fight a large fire. He told the citizens of Arenzville to use dynamite to keep the fire from spreading. Mr. Woods said the water supply at Arenzville was hardly sufficient to fight the fire and was quite a distance away.

DIES AT SOLDIERS' HOME

Denville, Ill., Dec. 24.—Charles M. Travis, minister to Brazil under President Grant, and lawyer partner of Lew Wallace, died at the soldiers home today after a long illness. He was 65 years old.

man from the outside came up the stairs and yelled "fire". A public meeting of citizens has been called for tomorrow to take relief measures but I wish to say that the Western Federation of Miners will bury its own dead and that the American labor movement will take care of the relatives of the deceased. No aid will be accepted from any of those citizens who some time ago pronounced these people undesirable citizens."

Answers Unofficial Charges.

A leader of the Citizens' Alliance, taking notice of the statement of President Moyer of the Western Federation of Miners and the unofficial charges made by strikers during the removal of the bodies, tonight said:

"It is preposterous to suppose that any member of the Citizens' Alliance would have attempted to disturb the Christmas celebration by the children of strikers in such a manner. The Alliance is made up of business men and professional men and its only object is to procure a strict enforcement of the law in the copper field during the continuance of the strike. Many members of the alliance have contributed liberally to the unfortunate in the copper field even giving money aid to the strikers to enjoy a happy Christmas. Nearly all the members of the alliance who were in the city tonight spent every effort to aid broken families and alleviate the grief of the bereaved."

The coroner tonight in checking up the dead families found that 54 families had suffered loss of one or more members.

OTHER TRUSTS MAY END LONG LITIGATION

MORE GOVERNMENT SUITS MAY BE SETTLED BY AGREEMENT

Suits Now In Courts Against Motion Pictures Patent Company and Jewelers May Be Brought To Close By Satisfactory Agreement With the Government.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—When Attorney General McReynolds agreed with the American Telephone & Telegraph company for a re-organization of that concern to make it fit the groove the courts have hewed out for the anti-trust act, he gave rise to speculation in the minds of alleged trust makers all over the country and has brought upon the department of justice scores of inquiries from persons more or less interested in trust suits about the possibility of other agreements of like tenor.

Mr. McReynolds left Washington for Kentucky last Saturday and will not return until next week. In his absence there is no one at the department authorized to act for him in taking up fresh proffers from trusts who wish to reform. The inquiries and reports of negotiations and protective agreements have persisted however and in the list that has been mentioned have appeared what are regarded at the department as some of the most important suits that have been filed in many years.

Few Important Cases.

There are in the process of adjudication in the courts less than a dozen anti-trust cases that are regarded as of supreme importance either as to their bearing on points in the anti-trust law yet to be ruled upon, or as to their effect upon big combinations.

In this list are the action against the United States steel corporation, the International Harvester company, United Shoe Machinery company, the motion picture patents company, the Eastman Kodak company and the Reading railroad company.

Suits have been begun against the American Canning company and an alleged combination of wholesale and manufacturing jewelers, and there are many others in process of trial or under consideration which officials do not look upon as of prime importance.

Suit Is Contemplated.

No suit is pending against the New Haven railroad but it has been an open secret that one was in contemplation when that company began negotiations with the department. Of the suits enumerated no authentic advances have come to the department from the steel corporation, the Harvester company, the Kodak company, the Reading company, or the canning company. So far as the government's lawyers know these concerns expect to fight to the end.

Negotiations with the United Shoe Machinery company have been in progress for a long time but they have so far not been successful. Representatives of the motion picture company and of the jewelers have been in conference several times in the last few weeks with Mr. McReynolds. It is possible that two suits will be settled without long litigation. In every case it has been made clear that to meet the department's approval, re-organization plans must conform to the complaint made by the government. If this is done there is no objection to settling a case without litigation.

Reuben Gunn, a student at the state university at Madison, Wis., has ended a visit with his mother, residing west of the city, and has gone to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin for a short visit before resuming his studies.

NEGRO HIGHWAYMEN SHOOT SPRINGFIELD CONTRACTOR

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 24.—Joseph Dexter, a cement contractor, was held up by three negroes about nine o'clock tonight in the north-east part of the city and was shot and probably fatally wounded when he resisted. A bullet struck him in the right eye penetrating the brain. A score of deputy sheriffs are assisting the police in efforts to apprehend the three negro highwaymen.

DIES AT HOME OF PATIENT

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Dr. Henry Banga died tonight of paralysis at the home of apatient he had gone to attend. He was a well known surgeon and sixty-six years old.

WEATHER INDICATIONS AND TEMPERATURES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—For Illinois: Snow and colder Thursday; Friday fair colder in south; brisk north winds.

Temperatures.

The current, maximum and minimum temperatures recorded up to eight p. m. Wednesday were:

	Current.	High.	Low.
Jacksonville	32	34	30
Boston	32	44	38
Buffalo	32	36	34
New York	44	48	38
New Orleans	44	54	46
Chicago	32	40	24
Detroit	32	36	32
Omaha	22	32	28
St. Paul	27	36	18
Holena	16	22	12
San Francisco	52	56	48
Winnipeg	2	0	0

MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS ARE SUCCESS THROUGHOUT COUNTRY

THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN AND CITIZENS ENJOY TREES AND MUSIC IN MANY CITIES

Chicago's Initial Celebration In Grant Park Is Viewed by Thousands--School Children Gather About Tree In St. Louis--

Washington Has Great Celebration--Celebration of Gotham's Millions Is Especially Notable.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Chicago's first municipal Christmas festival was held in Grant Park tonight when thousands of children and citizens generally viewed the seventy-five foot Christmas tree listened to stars of grand opera who sang classics through megaphones to the full chorus of the Chicago Grand Opera company and to speeches by Mayor Harrison and others.

An oddity of atmospheric conditions permitted the testing of the effect of the Grant Park illuminations for three hours during the forenoon and one hour during the afternoon fog and smoke plunged the city into the darkness of midnight.

The gloom of the weather was not regarded as indicative of the Christmas program in this city it was said that no family here need go without a Christmas dinner and a least a touch of the luxury of the day, owing to the abundant preparation by the churches, charitable organizations, societies and big brothers generally.

Random examples of the abundant provisions made were seen when the county agent gave out one thousand Christmas baskets in the West Side slums and had four thousand baskets more for distribution tomorrow.

Liberal to Policemen.

Among the first whose attention was called to the day were wealthy residents of North Shore suburbs. It is the custom of many of these men who motor from their offices to their homes to distribute tips running as high as five dollars to policemen whom they meet every day of the year. Between the city and Evanston a motorist ordinarily meets five policemen but this evening—and it is quite a usual occurrence at this season—the path was particularly well guarded. One millionaire, whom the incident provides with merriment every year, said that he counted eighteen of them on his way home. The Christmas tips of one policeman at a prominent boulevard crossing are said to average \$200.

Woman Is Robbed.

The lights and shadows of the day show in many spots. Mrs. Francis B. Schultz, traveling with her young daughter from St. Joseph, Mich., to Los Angeles for her health lost every cent she had between trains here when a pickpocket stole her purse containing \$160. Her Christmas dinner will be provided by charity. John Kelly, aged 66 years will eat his sixteenth consecutive Christmas dinner in the house of correction. He stole a lap robe this time.

Judge Uhlir who presides over the court of domestic relations provided a Christmas tree in his court room and distributed toys to children who are wards of the court. In addition he paroled from the work house thirteen men prisoners.

Hungry Horses to Be Fed.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 24.—Hungry horses will be given a Christmas feast in Evansville at the expense of Adolph Melzer, philanthropist and friend of dumb animals. Mr. Melzer inaugurated the Christmas dinner for horses and mules last year and gave out provisions for several hundred animals.

Children Enjoy Program.

Trinidad, Colo., Dec. 24.—More than 8,000 children scattered in tent colonies throughout the Colorado coal mine districts forgot cold and destitution and discomfort tonight in rousing Christmas celebrations arranged by the United Mine Workers of America and other labor organizations. At the Ludlow tent colony a tree was erected in a mammoth tent and a Christmas program was carried out.

Burlington Venture Success.

Burlington, Iowa, Dec. 24.—The first municipal Christmas tree held in Burlington was lighted at five o'clock this evening, Mayor Norton turning on the colored lights, and among the ringing of church bells all over the city. The exercises commenced and lasted through the evening with various singing societies and special choir and quartettes taking part. The entertainment was a success in every particular.

Cedar Rapids Celebration.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Dec. 24.—Four thousand children and twice as many adults thronged around the municipal Christmas tree in Green Square this evening. A big band played and a chorus of several hundred voices sang Christmas hymns and carols.

The seventy foot Xmas tree was gaily decorated and illuminated with myriads of electric lights and a big white star at the top.

Big Tree In Decatur.

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 24.—More than 6,000 persons crowded into Central park tonight for the first municipal Christmas celebration in Decatur. A big tree was illuminated. Mayor Dan Dinneen turned the switch that

lighted the hundreds of bulbs. School children, a vested choir, and a new-boys' glee club furnished the music.

Prisoners Will Enjoy Day.

Leavenworth, Kan., Dec. 24.—Tomorrow is to be a day of rest, recreation and feasting for the three thousand inmates of Leavenworth's three penal institutions.

At the federal prison, Warden Morgan has provided a moving picture show as the principal amusement. Fifteen hundred pounds of turkey will be served to the prisoners who also have been granted the privilege of an extra letter home and cession from labor.

At the Kansas state penitentiary Warden Bothin has provided two motion picture performances.

Lieut. Col. Thomas H. Slavens, in command of the United States military prison, in addition to providing a big turkey dinner has permitted the prisoners to put on a "home talent" vaudeville show.

School Children About Tree.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 24.—St. Louis began its Christmas celebration shortly after sunset this evening when one thousand school children gathered about an immense Christmas tree erected in the downtown town streets and sang appropriate carols.

The tree was illuminated with hundreds of electric lights. A newspaper today distributed twenty-five hundred baskets containing Christmas dinners. The same newspaper tomorrow will give a Christmas entertainment to twelve thousand children and will give to each child a present.

Washington Celebrates.

Washington, Dec. 24.—"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

This sentence, blazing from a brilliantly lighted electric placard raised almost to the dome of the capitol reflected the predominant sentiment of the thousands who assembled on the capitol plaza tonight to celebrate Washington's first "community Christmas."

Lighted Norway spruce, illuminated with red, white and blue electric bulbs, the marine band, a huge electric star of the east and a chorus of 1,000 singers with the capitol itself outlined as the back ground against the dark curtain of the sky made a scene of impressive beauty. Tableaux, representing the story of the nativity were presented in the improvised amphitheater.

Celebration Postponed.

San Francisco, Dec. 24.—Open air Christmas Eve celebrations started as civic enterprises in San Francisco four years ago, were observed generally on the Pacific coast and in the northwest tonight. At Portland, Seattle and Spokane many thousand persons gathered about municipal Christmas trees and sang carols, hymns and anthems.

The San Francisco celebration postponed because of rain probably will be held Sunday night.

Gotham's Celebration.

New York, Dec. 24.—Lacking only a blanket of snow to give the traditional Christmas atmosphere to the scene, New York began tonight a "Christmas celebration which promised to be one of the most joyous in years. Gotham's millions bought generously this season and the less fortunate were well remembered by the charitable.

Thanks to the existence of Christmas fund reserve, held over from years when collections were more generously responded to than this year. The 427 employees of the New York stock exchange today divided \$12,666 among themselves. Because business during the year had been indifferent, members of the exchange subscribed no more than \$6,500. Former subscribers ran as high as \$30,000. Members of the exchange celebrated Christmas in a noisy manner. At three o'clock two street organs were brought to the floor of the exchange. For twenty minutes two Italians ground discordant melodies from them accompanied by the wild shouts of the brokers.

The Salvation Army has made arrangements to provide Christmas dinner for 25,000 families and the Volunteers of America will take care of at least another 6,500. Others who will feed the poor tomorrow are the Bowery Mission, Grace Memorial Lodging House, Mrs. George A. Hearn and Congressman George W. Loft. It is estimated that about 100,000 of the city's poor will be benefitted.

ISSUES BANK PERMIT.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 24.—Auditor of Public Accounts James J. Brady, today issued a permit to R. H. Isaac, Eli Miller and W. E. Schmidt, to organize the Gillespie trust and savings bank at Gillespie, Macoupin county with a capital stock of \$50,000. The bank takes over the business of the bank of Gillespie a private banking house.

Tired after a big holiday trade. Many thanks for liberal patronage. May all have a joyous holiday season.

SCHRAM, the Jeweler.

Just Say—

"Cainson Flour"

(Reg. U. S. Pat. Off.)

To Your Grocer

or

J. H. CAIN & SONS

A WILSON BABY.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hunt of the grand received a number of handsome gifts from friends in the south yesterday and conspicuous among them was a "Wilson baby," a new type of doll which has attracted a lot of attention down south. The "Wilson baby" was designed by Mrs. S. H. Baker of Houston, Texas, a long time friend of Mrs. Hunt's, and patents have been taken out in this and foreign countries.

The doll has an individuality all its own. The body is firm and compact, while the face is made of a metal mask, covered with chamolite and hand-painted. The "Wilson baby" is a character doll with a face and body resembling that of a baby. The doll is washable and is tinted to represent natural flesh. Different styles are employed in their costuming: some are French, some Dutch, some Balkan, some Irish and some English.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS.

The best and happiest Christmas that has yet been known to the people of Jacksonville is our hearty wish. Brennan's.

MATRIMONIAL

Roach-Moore.

Yesterday a. m., at the residence of Mrs. Martha Capps Oliver, Clay Roach of this county and Miss Annie Moore of Alton were united in marriage by Rev. W. L. Dorgan. Mrs. Allen Spahnower, Pisgah, sister of groom, and her husband were present at the ceremony which was entirely private. Mr. Dorgan said the words which united the pair and sincere congratulations followed after which the party departed.

The groom is a worthy, industrious young man who lives on one of the farms owned by Iven Wood near Pisgah. He was at work in Alton where he became acquainted with Miss Moore, one of Alton's best young ladies, but last spring he rented a farm of Mr. Wood and his sister kept house for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Roach will at once go to the home which the groom had had prepared and nicely furnished and will begin life under happy conditions.

Munis-Winner.

A double wedding was solemnized Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock by Rev. Walter E. Spooner, pastor of Northminster church, at his residence on North Fayette street, when Miss Retha Effie Winner became the bride of Earl Munis and Miss Mary Fernandes became the bride of Louis Munis. All of them are residents of Jacksonville. Earl Munis being employed at Capps mill and Louis Munis is in the employ of George S. Rogerson. They will reside in this city.

Strope-Washburn.

Henry V. Strope of Decatur and Miss Anna G. Washburn were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Washburn, 213 South Fayette street, Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. Walter E. Spooner, pastor of Northminster church. The ring ceremony was used and the wedding was witnessed by a large number of friends of the couple. The bride is well known in this city and Mr. Strope is a traveling man with headquarters in Decatur, where they will make their home, after a short wedding trip.

McCurley-Henry.

A pretty home wedding took place Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Henry, one and one quarter miles south of Woodson, when their daughter, Miss Mollie Henry became the bride of Mr. Amos McCurley. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends and was performed in an impressive manner by Dr. G. W. Miller of Woodson.

The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion with carnations, roses and other flowers. In the dining room the colors red and green prevailed, in the library, red and green, in the reception room, pink and white and in the parlor, green and white. The marriage took place in the parlor, beneath a floral arch of smilax and carnations, a white bell being suspended from the center. The young people entered the parlor while Miss Margaret Strandberg of Jacksonville played the wedding march from Lohengrin. The bride wore a gown of light blue silk crepe meteor, trimmed in shadow lace and drop pearls and carried a shower bouquet of bride's roses.

The attendants were Miss Mabel McCurley, sister of the groom and Mr. Raymond Henry, a cousin of the bride. Miss McCurley wore a dress of light yellow silk, with pearl trimmings and carried white carnations. The bride's gift to the bridesmaid was a silver spoon, the same to Miss Strandberg and silver spoons and gold bar pins were given to the young ladies who served the bountiful supper which followed the ceremony.

Both young people are deservedly popular among a wide circle of friends. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Henry and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William McCurley. Both were born and reared in the Woodson neighborhood and graduated from the Woodson high school in the same class. Their upright lives and splendid characters commend them to all their friends who extend hearty congratulations.

An amusing incident of the evening was the cutting of the wedding cake and the articles were secured as follows, ring, Gladys Andre; thimble, Miss Mabel McCurley; darning needle, Miss Hazel Ezzard; penny, Miss Viola Reynolds, dime, Miss Mary Bell.

They were the recipients of a number of beautiful and useful presents. They expect to make their home on a farm.

Among the guests from away were Mrs. Martha Master and Helen Strang, White Hall; Miss Mary Bell Winchester; Mrs. Sarah J. McFall, Miss Gladys Andre, Denham Harney, Miss Margaret Strandberg, Jacksonville; Misses Sadie Irlam and Mabel McCurley of Midway.

Smith-Virgin.

The marriage of Benjamin Arthur Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith and Miss Bessie Gibbs Virgin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Virgin, of Woodson, will take place today at the home of the bride's parents.

FOR THE GOOD YEAR 1914. The year 1913 brought a great loss to us, yet much prosperity as well and we are grateful for the generous patronage extended. Cordial wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year are extended to all.

Crawford Lumber Company.

LANTERN AS ARC LIGHT.

Someone afforded considerable comment Wednesday evening in the north end of the city, by attaching a lantern to the arc light at the corner of North Main street and Independence avenue. The light at that place, has not been burning for some time and someone evidently thought a little light would be better than none.

PLAN REORGANIZATION OF THE STATE MILITIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER ISSUED BY GOVERNOR PROVIDES GENERAL SHAKE-UP

Reorganization will do away with Division Headquarters at Chicago and bring all Militia of the State Directly Under the Adjutant General's Office in Springfield.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 24.—Reorganization of the Illinois state militia, in accordance with suggestions made by the war department at Washington, is provided for in an executive order issued by Governor Dunne and Adjutant General Frank S. Dickson today and which takes effect January 1st, 1914. The reorganization plans to do away with division headquarters at Chicago and bring all the militia of the state directly under the supervision of the adjutant general's department in this city. Major General Edward C. Young of Chicago and General Edward Kittison of Rock Island, together with several aides, leave the service. With the above exceptions the reorganization affects no other officers than in a few cases where there is a reduction in rank to conform with the duties performed.

Under the new order the national guard will have two brigadier generals of the line instead of three as heretofore, twenty-four battalions of infantry, one company of engineers, one regiment of cavalry, three battalions of field artillery, one company of signal corps, and one field hospital corps.

NOTICE

THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1914 WILL COMMENCE MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1913. THE AVERS NATIONAL BANK.

GOOD WISHES TO ALL.

To those who favored us this past year and all friends a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year. Jacksonville Tailoring Co.

Right now call No. 70 and order your ice cream from Mulliken and Hamilton's, East State.

BIG BUSINESS AT POST OFFICE.

The season has been one of unusual activity at the Jacksonville post office and while the records have not yet been fully compiled it is certain that the total business has been greater than ever before. Post Master Reeve had extra men put on and the service has been excellent. The parcels post has of course added greatly to the bulk of the mail handled and several extra wagons have been utilized for this department during recent days. The changes made in the office have given additional room for the workers and so have made it easier to handle the business. The total sale of stamps Monday was \$598.50, a record breaking day and some other days have not been far behind it.

Get Ice Cream at Howe's today.

A YULE-TIDE WISH.

To our friends and customers, may our friends be our best customers and may our customers always be our best friends. Best wishes and heartiest congratulations this Yule-tide season.

W. R. Brittenham.

CLOSE AT NOON.

Our store will close Christmas day at noon.

Myers Bros.

REMEMBER EMPLOYEES.

Employees of the Jacksonville Railway & Light company were generously remembered for Christmas. Each man received an order for two dollars worth of goods which he could present to any merchant in Jacksonville.

A MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Thanking our customers for their patronage in the past and hoping to have the pleasure of serving them for many years to come, we extend to everyone our wishes for a merry, merry Christmas.

L. A. Barnhart, Grocer.

The very choicest blooming plants in great variety. Hehl's.

A Merry Christmas

and

Happy New Year

To Our Customers and Friends.

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211 East State St

Watch this space for bargains in our next advertisement.

We Extend

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to all for

A Merry Christmas

This store will be open this morning and will make one delivery.

Telephone your orders for groceries and drugs and our usual prompt and careful attention will be accorded you.

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J. Allerton Palmer, Asst. Cashier. John A. Bellatti.
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Afternoon and Evening Every Week Day—A Big Feature Production Each Day.

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By All Means See This!

Situations that thrill—a superb all star cast present this great railroad story

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A thrilling locomotive chase, dare-devil jumps, and a furious fire are some of the exciting incidents in this great railroad story that will keep you breathless from start to finish.

AT THE CABARET—Reliance comedy just to make you feel young again.

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THREE SCRAPS OF PAPER—Essanay drama, a tale of tense dramatic action.

Admission 5c and 10c

We will not close at supper time. Come as early as you like.

Here's To You All

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and a whole lot of them.

James McGinnis & Co.

The Shoe Dealers

Pearcock Inn**CHRISTMAS CANDIES**

You will find a very extensive stock of Christmas candies here. The very choicest brands in special holiday wrappings. See the Christmas decorations at

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South Side Square,
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When a bad fire visits the city you wonder about the safety of your property. The best way is to carry

INSURANCE PROTECTION

The cost is low and the money will come in handy if you have a fire

L. S. DOANE

Farrell Bank Building

CITY AND COUNTY

Miss Ida Turner is a guest of relatives in Waverly.

William Luby of New Berlin paid the city a call yesterday.

Mrs. Cora Mapes has returned from a visit in St. Louis.

Fred Ausmus of Pisgah was a caller on city people yesterday.

Pipes, Pines, Pipes, Knollenberg's Cigar Store.

Miss Verne Lewis of Chapin was a shopper in the city yesterday.

E. K. Stevenson of Pisgah was a shopper in the city yesterday.

Lee Woodall and family have gone to Winchester for a holiday visit.

J. Cooper of Concord has gone to Springfield to enjoy the holidays.

Henry Kimmell has gone to Greasy Prairie for a holiday visit.

Miss Loretta Clerihan has gone to Kansas City for a holiday visit.

Howard McCracken of Manchester made a visit to the city yesterday.

Miss Irene Park is spending the Christmas with friends in Waverly.

Pocket knives, Gay's Reliable Hardware.

Miss Irene Spears is spending Christmas with friends in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. William Owen of Chapin were city visitors yesterday.

L. D. Waterfield of Merritt was in Jacksonville yesterday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bourne of Litchberry were city shoppers yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Nesbet of Virginia were city shoppers yesterday.

Mrs. W. F. Hoelscher and children have gone to Beardstown for a home visit.

Riley Taylor of Chapin was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Xmas Cigars—Knollenberg's Cigar Store.

L. A. Seymour of Nortonville was a business caller in the city yesterday.

Joseph Lombard was among the Waverly visitors in the city yesterday.

Edward Fee of Mercedosa transacted business in the city yesterday.

Miss Helen Common has gone to Beardstown to enjoy Xmas with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corrington of South Clay avenue have gone to Havana to spend Christmas at the home of their daughter Mrs. Fred Avers.

W. B. Hall of Prentice was attending to business in the city yesterday.

M. F. Claywell and son, residents of Scott county, were in the city yesterday.

Louis Brookhouse of Chapin was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Glenn Seymour of Nortonville was a business caller in the city Wednesday.

Bishop Kennet was a business caller in the city Wednesday from Orleans.

Cigars, 50c to \$4.00 per box, Knollenberg's Cigar Store.

F. C. Worsum of Baylis was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Frank Knust of Murrayville was a business caller in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. W. D. Hitt of Merritt is visiting her mother, Mrs. F. M. Ferguson of this city.

Mrs. D. E. Bingman of Yatesville was among the city shoppers yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lague expected to go to Springfield today for a visit.

Thomas Burns of Murrayville was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Ralph Reynolds has gone to Kansas City to visit his sister, Mrs. Stevenson.

Wilbur Williams of Markham was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Frank Orendoff of Delavan was visiting with relatives in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Lida G. Monett of Rensselaer, Ind., is visiting relatives in the city.

T. H. Robinson of Prentice was attending to business in Jacksonville Wednesday.

Mrs. Marjorie Samuels of Columbia, Mo., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mallory.

Telephone us about the kind of cigars he smokes. Knollenberg's Cigar Store.

Miss Katherine Hooley has gone to Peoria to spend Christmas with home folk.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Shanahan are spending today with relatives in Springfield.

Julian Malone of Ripon, Wis., is spending the holidays with relatives in the city.

Mrs. M. T. Miles of Vermont is visiting Mrs. D. P. Nevius, 419 S. Church street.

Miss Mabel Withee is visiting with friends in Lewistown during the holidays.

Harry McCracken of Swift & Co., is a guest of home folk in Manchester today.

Henry Slack of Franklin was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Frank Miller was among the business callers in the city yesterday from Franklin.

Miss Jennie Finnigan of East College avenue is a guest of home folks near Virginia.

Felix Ryman of Centralia, Mo., is a guest of his brother, John Ryman of Alexander.

Anderson Carrigan of Woodson was among the business men in the city yesterday.

Claude Bean was among the business visitors in the city yesterday from Winchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Nellie H. Crain have gone to Woodson to spend Christmas with relatives.

Newton Davis, a clerk at the state hospital, is spending the day with friends in Decatur.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clark of Litchberry were among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Howard Ogle of Hillsboro is spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Ogle.

Charles West from south of the city was among the business callers in the city yesterday.

Mrs. James Johnson of the Buckhorn neighborhood was among the city visitors yesterday.

Miss Carrie Nunes of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sanders Nunes of Allen avenue.

Mrs. W. S. Smith and Mrs. T. Rice of Springfield are spending the day with friends in the city.

J. B. Thompson of Badger's drug store expects to attend a family reunion at Kirkwood, Mo., today.

Gus Lowrie of Minneapolis is spending the day with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Mallory of Ashland avenue.

Byron Kost has gone to his old home in Dixon, Ill., to visit for a few days with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ditson are spending the day at the home of Mr. Ditson's mother in Palmyra.

Miss Kathleen Walsh of Escanaba, Mich., is enjoying a visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsh.

A. Smith left Jacksonville last evening for Trenton, N. Y., for a holiday visit with relatives. He expects to be gone from the city until New Years.

Wood Phillips has gone to Cerro Gordo for a holiday visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Phillips.

Mrs. Emma Holt and daughter Anna to Carrollton were among the Wednesday visitors in Jacksonville.

George Franz is expected in the city today from Corydon, Iowa, to visit with his mother, Mrs. Henry Franz.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fisher of Hammond, Ind., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George F. LaRue.

Mrs. Alice Kumble of Alexander is spending the day with her mother, Mrs. Oliver Coultas, Sr., at Winchester.

Power orchestra will go to Pittsfield this afternoon to play for a dance given by the Beaumont club tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Doying left yesterday for Davenport, Ia., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Doying's parents.

Misses Annie, Margaret and Gusie Duffner have gone to Chicago to enjoy a visit with their sister, Mrs. J. J. Curtin.

Ralph May of Peoria is a Christmas guest at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Amos May of East Court street.

Miss Ilma Brown of the force at the Harmon dry goods house is going to enjoy Christmas with friends in Manchester.

Miss Alta Hazelrig expected to return today to her home in St. Louis after a visit with Jacksonville friends.

Miss Helen Saye, teacher of the Ruble school at Alexander, is spending the holidays with relatives in Manchester.

Mrs. D. M. Keating and children have gone to Winchester to visit Mrs. Keating's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Woodall.

James A. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Oliver of Chicago are making a holiday visit with relatives in Jacksonville.

Bert Jackson, manager of the Andrews lumber yard at Charleston is spending Christmas with relatives in Jacksonville.

Miss Mabel Reid, a nurse at Passavant hospital has gone to Canton to visit her parents, also her sister, Mrs. Van Hunter.

Charles McCollister of Elgin arrived yesterday for a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Parker of West College street.

Oliver Cain expects to return this evening to Minneapolis, Minn., where he is employed by the Russell Miller Milling Company.

H. L. Butler, employed by the Caldwell Engineering company, has gone to Libertyville to spend the holidays with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boyd of Waverly were in the city Wednesday on their way to Concord for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Moss.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Jerald and children of Springfield are Christmas guests at the home of W. L. Armstrong on Pine street.

Miss Grace Kennedy of Missoula, Mont., and Miss Mayme Kennedy of Davenport, Ia., have arrived in Jacksonville for a holiday visit.

Mrs. Harriet Mellon and daughter Georgia have gone to Merritt to spend Christmas at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. Chrisman.

Miss Alice Gougherty and Miss Gertrude McBride, of Chicago are spending the holidays with relatives and friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Clark and daughter, Helen are visiting Mrs. Clark's mother, Mrs. W. B. Rexroat on South Diamond street.

Joseph Donovan, who is connected with Brown's Business College of Terra Haute, Ind., is here for a visit with relatives and friends.

Thomas J. Duffner and family expect to go to Springfield today for a visit with Mrs. Duffner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Maroney.

Captain Wm. Harrison and son came down from Springfield yesterday for a visit with Mrs. Nellie Hopper on North Fayette street.

Mrs. Porter R. Leach of Chicago has arrived in the city for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Chambers of West College street.

C. A. Sheppard has recently sold a piano to the Berea church and a piano (Hamilton) to Harry Seymour on South Mauvister street.

Miss Myrtle Swales of Chicago is making a Christmas visit at the home of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. James Swales of South Clay avenue.

Miss Rose Zellar who is teaching school in Lincoln is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman Zellar in Alexander.

Lloyd and Daniel Howe who are employed by the Commonwealth steel company of Granite City are expected home today for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Woods of Macomb, Mo., passed through the city yesterday enroute to Havana, to visit Mr. Woods' mother, through the holidays.

Miss Grace Kennedy of Missoula, Mont., is in the city for a month's visit at the home of her father, Anthony Kennedy on South Clay avenue.

Miss Ruth Leach arrived home Wednesday from Chicago to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Leach at the "Woodbines."

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cobb of Springfield are spending the day with Mrs. Cobb's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Packard of West College avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Strawn of Alexander are spending Christmas at the home of Mrs. Strawn's mother, Mrs. E. J. Funk on South Main street.

Miss Mabel and Florence Bourn of north of the city expect to spend Christmas at the home of their uncle, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Eller of Mount Sterling.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday from Alexander were: Ned Greenleaf, John Snyder, Philip Hohman, Mr. John Ryman and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Watret.

Mr. J. A. Scott of Hubbards Woods, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Oliver and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Odell of Chicago are visiting with relatives and friends in the city.

Willard Young, Mrs. Thomas Barber, Arthur Johnson, Earl Bowers and wife, Oliver and Samuel Lindsay were visitors in the city yesterday from Litchberry.

Boys in George Douglas' class at the Christian church raised enough money for an overcoat and sent it to Chief of Police Davis who easily found a lad to fit the coat.

Roswell Post who is taking his senior work in the law department of Michigan university is in Jacksonville to spend the holiday season with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. O. Post.

Miss Emma Daniels, who is at the head of the kindergarten department of the schools of Winnetka is spending the holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. C. M. Daniels of Grove street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Strawn and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cox, of Perry, Ill., are spending the holidays at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Strawn northeast of the city.

Yesterday W. B. McIntire enjoyed a short visit from his cousin, James G. Sage of Laurel, Iowa. The gentleman had been to Chicago and came around this way home to see his Jacksonville relative.

Edward Hammond left yesterday for Lima, O., to take a position in the cigar house of the Deisel-Wemmer Co. as a traveling salesman. Mr. Hammond was formerly employed by the McCarty-Gebert Co.

Dr. Patrick J. Downing head of the Latin department in the Newman School at Hackensack, New Jersey, wife and baby Catherine, have arrived in the city for the Christmas holidays and are guests at Mrs. Downing's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel M. Howe on East State street.

Mrs. A. E. Goltra and daughter left Wednesday for Palmyra where they will be joined by Mrs. F. A. Coleman and Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Coleman of New York city and all will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Coleman in Palmyra. They will return to Jacksonville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nixon, Warren Nixon and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Middleton of St. Louis arrived from St. Louis last evening and will attend a family dinner party today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Crabtree.

Grand Opera House

Picture Program for Today

"CITY'S WATERLOO"—A famous Vitaphone featuring Wallie Van and Lillian Walker.

"NEVER KNOWN TO SMILE"—A good farce comedy. Biograph. See O'Brien smile.

"THE MAN IN THE HAMPER"—Another good comedy presented by Lubin.

"MR. DIPPY DIPPED"—An Edison photoplay comedy featuring Delores Cassinelli as Miss Fascination.

"WHEN LOVE FORGIVES"—An appealing melodrama by the famous Biograph Co.

THURSDAY SPECIAL FEATURE

"VENOMOUS TONGUES"—A splendid melodrama enacted in two parts. By Kleing-Cello Feature Co.

7 BIG REELS.

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To Our Friends in Jacksonville

and Surrounding Territory

Heartiest Wishes

for

A Merry Christmas

and

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

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We extend to all our friends our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

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MEN AND BOYS

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HOUSEWIVES

Do you know that W. D. Cody sells the best and highest quality flour in Jacksonville and that the name of that flour is

Zephyr! Zephyr!

To prove this statement we point to the record made at the state fair baking contest in Springfield. The winners in this bread show were:

First Prize (sweepstakes) Mrs. A. A. Johnson, 1313 South 10th St., Springfield.

Second Prize (sweepstakes) Mrs. C. H. ones, 110 Bond ave. Springfield. Zephyr flour thus won both first and second prizes over bread from twenty other brands of flour. The loaves displayed were baked from twenty-two brands in addition to Zephyr, some of the best known and most advertised brands on the market today like Seal of Minnesota, Gold Medal, Pillsbury, Ceresota, Occident, Aristos and Snow White. It was easily shown that Zephyr flour had no equal among them.

Why not pay cash and get the highest quality flour here at a saving of 25 cents to 45 cents per sack.

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220 West Court St.

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SOCIAL EVENTS.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Skinner, 853 South East street there will be a family reunion today at which will be present Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skinner, Miss Mable and Glenn Skinner, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scott and Miss Olive Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Faugust of Lorton street are planning a Christmas dinner today for a number of their relatives and friends. Among those who will be present are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Faugust, Mrs. Lydia Faugust and Misses Hulda and Nell Faugust, Fred and William Faugust, G. K. Hutchens of Carrollton and Leo Sulter.

Masquerade suits at Mallory Bros.

THANKFUL TO FRIENDS.
We appreciate the liberal patronage of the past year and wish all a Merry Christmas and Glad New Year.
Batz Cafe.

ENTERTAINMENT AT

LITERBERRY
Wednesday evening a Christmas entertainment was given at the Christian church at Literberry which was largely attended. The program was begun at 6 o'clock and included a play entitled "The Delicate Question." One of the features was large and prettily decorated Christmas tree. After the program the young men of the church served their annual oyster supper.

THE BIRTH RECORD.
Born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sweeney, a son, Earl Garland Sweeney.

AT THE OLD PEOPLES' HOME.

Residents of the Old Peoples' home received some remembrances yesterday and others will doubtless be sent today. Some of those who are spending the final years of life in this haven of rest are entirely penniless and those who give to them at this season of the year bring special joy to old hearts. The work of the home, caring for those who would otherwise receive only indifferent attention, is indeed a testimonial to the wide spirit of beneficence which marks the times.

DINNER AT PACIFIC.

Fine Christmas dinner today at the Pacific hotel, from 12 to 2. 50c.

WON BIG TURKEY.

James C. Wood, fire chief held No. 1968 which is the number that won the turkey at Mac's Cigar store, at 236 North Main street. Merry Christmas to our patrons and friends.

Mac's Cigar Store.

Get Ice Cream at Howe's today.

NO PAPER FRIDAY.

In order to permit the employees of the Journal to enjoy the great holiday in a proper manner there will be no paper Friday morning.

GAVE ENTERTAINMENT

AND OYSTER SUPPER
The Sunday school of the Baptist church of Murrayville gave a splendid Christmas entertainment in Carlson's hall Wednesday night. An oyster snapper was also held from which a neat sum was realized.

LECK'S MARKET.

The season's greeting to our customers and friends. Wish all a bright New Year.

Always buy a Tango.

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THE REWARDS OF GIVING.

The Christmas spirit reigns in Jacksonville today. The year has not been accounted an especially prosperous one throughout the country, yet there never was a time in this city when the true Christmas spirit more generally prevailed. And the true Christmas spirit means some realization of "Peace on earth good will toward men."

If there is any needy home in Jacksonville today, where something of Christmas cheer does not find its way, the reason lies only in the fact that the home in question escaped the vigilant eyes of those who have "gone about doing good," seeking places where they might give aid and comfort and happiness.

The Christmas spirit which came into life nearly two thousand years ago is enriched by that very stretch of time. The people of today have the heritage of hearts which learned the blessedness of giving in centuries that are now gone by and so are able to know the rewards of generosity in other days unknown. And there is really something strange about this giving of gifts for those who give freely and the full truth of that Bible precept "that it is more blessed to give than to receive." Truly those who pass along life's highway with the open hand reap more richly than they sow.

And still a stranger thing about gifts is that no mortal is too poor to bestow them. In this old world it sometimes happens that the richest are really the poorest and the poorest are the richest. Too often the man of high estate, the man who is down and out, yearns for nothing so much as "a hand upon the shoulder in a friendly sort of way." Perhaps that's one reason that God gave us hands, hoping that as the years went by we mortals would learn not only to labor, but to love.

WHERE SORROW REIGNS.

Sorrow has taken the place of joy today in the homes of hundreds of residents of Calumet, Mich. Where something of Christmas cheer had been expected there are instead tears and breaking hearts. Fifty-six children lie upon biers in that northern city this morning, besides others who perished last night in the hall where they had gathered for a Christmas celebration.

There was no fire, but someone called through a door the fatal word. The effect was instantaneous. The company gathered about the gay Christmas tree became a mass of men, women and children struggling wildly to escape. In almost an incredibly short time the weaker ones were trodden down, maimed and suffocated. Only when the pile of dead in the hall way became so high that none could pass over it, did there come an end of the struggle.

Just one word spoken falsely, thoughtlessly, or with unbelievable malice wrought that awful havoc and caused that needless sacrifice of human life. In homes today where happiness and joy are supreme, homes untouched by grief and tragedy, there should ascend a prayer of sympathy for those in Calumet whose hearts are heavy and bleeding.

DINNER AT PACIFIC.

Fine Christmas dinner today at the Pacific hotel, from 12 to 2. 50c.

WELL KNOWN INDIAN ATHLETE DROPS DEAD OF HEART DISEASE

Penobscot Was a One Prominent In Baseball, Playing An Outfield For Naps in 1897.

Bangor, Me., Dec. 24.—Louis Sockalexis, a Penobscot Indian who won fame as a ball player dropped dead of heart disease while engaged in a logging operation at Burlington today.

Sockalexis was born 41 years ago. His paternal grandfather was at one time governor of the Penobscots and the family was prominent in the affairs of the tribe. Louis was an uncle of Andrew Sockalexis, the marathon runner.

Like his nephew, Louis Sockalexis was a natural athlete and was able to run 100 yards in ten seconds when at his best. He became known as a baseball player in 1895-6 when he played centerfield on the Holy-cross team. His work attracted the attention of the big league scouts and in 1897 he was an outfielder for Cleveland of the American League. Afterwards he played on teams in the minor leagues of New England. For some seasons past he had officiated as umpire in local leagues.

NOTICE

THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1914 WILL COMMENCE MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1913. THE AYERS NATIONAL BANK.

MYRICK AND COMPANY.

We thank our patrons for their trade the past year and wish them and friends a Merry Christmas and Bright New Year.

For Xmas a package of Claus Tea Co.'s select coffee.

A WISH FOR THE COMING YEAR

We join with others this morning in extending our very best wishes for a Happy Christmas time and for that same condition throughout the coming year.

J. J. Mallen & Son.

THE SALVATION ARMY DINNERS.

Seventy-five of Jacksonville's families who are in need have been provided with bountiful Christmas dinners by the Salvation army aided by those citizens who contributed to the fund which the workers of the army have been for a long time raising. The baskets, which are sent only to families really deserving contain bread, crackers, a chicken, butter, flour, roast, sugar, rice, milk, coffee, cranberries, bananas, potatoes and apples, enough to supply the neediest with a delicious meal. Capt. Pinkston and his assistant, Capt. Linden have worked hard in this campaign and are deserving of commendation for their success. A few of the baskets were distributed last evening and by the middle of the forenoon today, it is expected that all of them will be sent to their destination.

Right now call No. 70 and order your ice cream from Mullenix and Hamilton's, East State.

GRATEFUL TO FRIENDS.

We are grateful for liberal trade during the past year and wish all a Bright Xmas & Happy New Year. A. P. Vasconcellos, Grocer.

Get Ice Cream at Howe's today.

WITH THE SICK.

R. A. Gates continues to improve in a gratifying manner at Passavant hospital, which will be good news to his many friends.

W. R. Garrison came to Jacksonville yesterday and took his son, Green home, who has been patient at Passavant hospital.

Get your coffee for Xmas at Claus Tea Co.

O'DONNELL GARAGE.

A Merry Christmas to all our friends and patrons. We are grateful for patronage of past year. L. F. O'Donnell.

Fascination Tango.

RECEIVED MEDALS.

Marcelle Diltz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Diltz of this city, aged 13 years, and Ruby Ommen, residing west of Chaplin, aged 14 years were the winners of the Perry's victory silver medal contest for Morgan county. The essays were to be submitted during the months of November. The judges were Supt. W. A. Gore, Principal C. E. Collins and Superintendent Harry C. Montgomery. These essays will now be entered in the senatorial district contest for the state honors, a solid gold medal to be the award.

See the 1914 bicycles. Gay's Reliable Hardware.

HERE'S TO OUR FRIENDS.

We are grateful for the patronage of the past year and offer thanks to all our friends and good wishes for their happiness and prosperity. Coverly's.

Get Ice Cream at Howe's today.

A WORLD OF GOOD WISHES.

We offer on this Christmas morning our sincerest good wishes to every resident of Jacksonville and Morgan county, hoping that 1914 may be for them a year of prosperity. Gay's Hardware Store.

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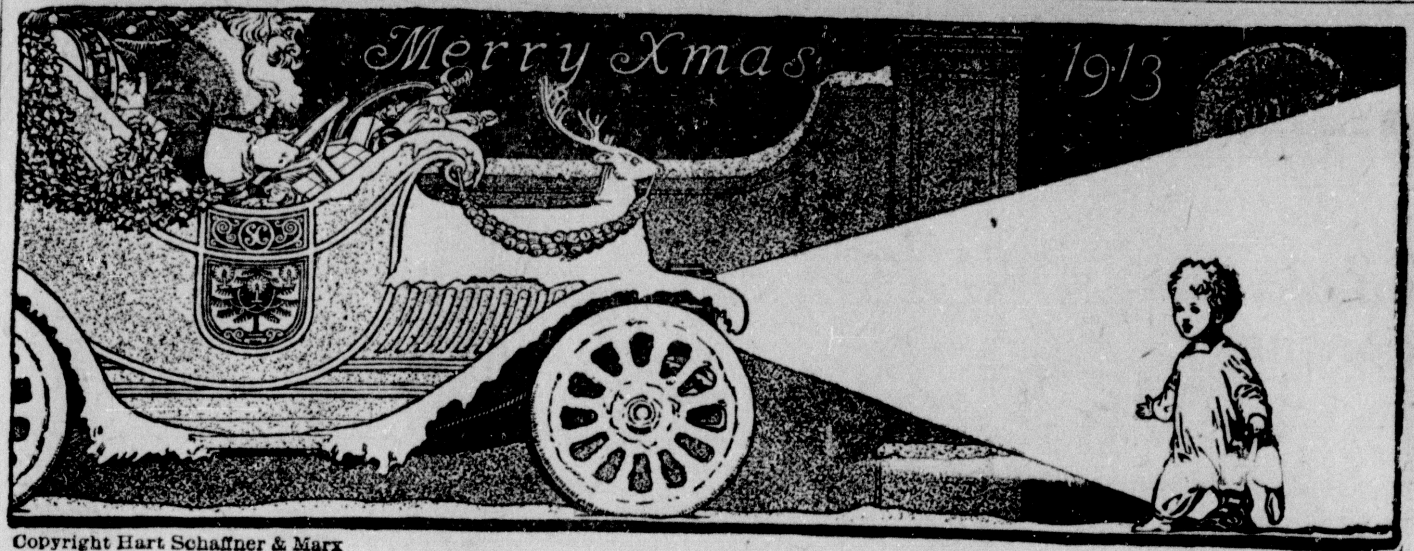
See the new complete Oxford red letter Bible. Bargain Book Store.

PROGRAM TODAY.

The Christmas program of the Sunday school of the Centenary M. E. church will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

EMPORIUM THANKFUL.

The Emporium extends thanks to all customers and friends wishing them a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.



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WE HEREWITH EXTEND CORDIAL CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO ALL CUSTOMERS AND PATRONS OF THIS STORE

We Are Grateful for a Satisfactory Holiday Trade and for Favors Throughout the Year.

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A few high grade I. H. C. low down Manure Spreaders, worth \$120, now selling at the low down price of \$85, as long as they last. Something every farmer should have, and very seldom have the opportunity to buy a high grade machine like this at the price.

Storm Buggies

Also a car of the nobbiest new storm buggies ever seen in Jacksonville. Call and look them over.

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Opposite City Hall.

Jacksonville, Illinois

Midwinter Term Will Soon Open

Students May Enroll for Work at Brown's Business College Jan. 5th.

The young people of today have come to a realization of the truth, that only as they prepare for some useful work, something really worth while, are they meeting life's requirements.

The courses at this college fit young men and young women to help themselves and to help others.

Call at the college and let us show you what the various courses offered include.

Brown's Business College

W. C. SPRINGGATE, Prin.

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FINAL PLEAS IN ST. LOUIS TERMINAL SUITS

Federal Decree Is Asked Abolishing
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The final plea of the United States government for the abolition of the arbitrary freight charge exacted by the Terminal Railroad association across the river at St. Louis and for the dissolution of the terminal in conformity with the government's interpretation of the United States district court has been asked by E. C. Crow, special counsel for the government.

Crow in his brief asks that Judges Sanborn, Hook and Smith, with whom the case rests, promulgate the decree asked by the government which would abolish the 20 cent a ton arbitrary, place all railroads, whether within or without the terminal, on an equal basis, abolish the practice of rebilling from East St. Louis and provide for the admission of any railroad into the terminal system.

The belief was expressed by Crow that the court will enter a decree soon. If it does not incorporate the provisions asked by the government the case again will be presented to the United States supreme court.

Asks Specific Decree.

In his brief Crow asked in part: "Complainant insists that the decree be so specific and direct as to leave no question that the Terminal company shall act only as a terminal company and as a joint, impartial agent of all lines and not as a transportation company interposing itself between railroads having their terminal upon opposite sides of the river between the city of St. Louis, Mo., and the roads extending eastward."

"The practice of rebilling and of making a distinct hauling charge is an evident survival of the methods which existed when the eastern lines had no terminal in St. Louis. They then billed to East St. Louis, and there turned the traffic over to one of the existing terminal companies, who made their own specific charges for the haul to places of delivery within the city. The practice has been continued after the reason for it has disappeared. The effect of this practice of rebilling at East St. Louis and of imposing this arbitrary upon traffic originating within 100 miles of the city, destined to cross the river, seems to have been also applied to the large coal traffic between the Illinois coal mines, upon which the city is largely dependent."

Seeks Arbitrary Abolishment.
"If the charge for traffic to St. Louis, Mo., and East St. Louis, Granite City and Madison, Ill., are the same, it is obvious the man doing business in St. Louis, Mo., so far as his eastern business was actually handled in St. Louis, would not be paying the amount of the bridge toll more than the man who did business in the Illinois cities named. Then the practical way is to abolish the 'arbitrary' charge by making one common rate to the cities of St. Louis, Mo., and East St. Louis and Granite City and Madison, Ill."

The result of the combination of the instruments of interstate commerce under the control of the Terminal Railroad association was that the fourteen proprietary lines acting jointly through their holding company, the Terminal Railroad association, fixed the freight rates to East St. Louis, Granite City, and Madison, Ill., and the city of St. Louis, Mo., and collected through the Terminal Railroad association a specific rate and charge for the haul of interstate traffic between points last above named and the city of St. Louis, Mo., and compelled the people and the business interests of St. Louis, Mo., to pay the original cost of and operating expenses of the

Terminal Railroad association in addition to the usual and ordinary freight charges.

"The practical result of this has been to drive manufacturers away from St. Louis, and many have dismantled their plants in St. Louis and moved into Illinois and cities in that state have had their growth stimulated at the expense of St. Louis, Granite City, Madison and East St. Louis, Ill., owe practically all their population and business, and in fact, existence, to the combination and monopoly of the agencies of interstate commerce controlled by the 14 roads with its resulting discrimination against St. Louis, Mo."

"To make the burden more onerous to St. Louis people and shippers, a charge for the haul between the termini of the eastern roads in Illinois and the city of St. Louis, Mo., or the termini of the western roads in St. Louis, Mo., was not imposed directly upon any shipper or receiver of freight passing through St. Louis either way and destined to points 100 miles beyond St. Louis and destined to points east of St. Louis and to be shipped over the Terminal association's property or hauled to East St. Louis, Granite City or Madison, Ill., and then reshipped to the point of destination."

Pleas Discrimination.

"The supreme court says the maintenance of any arbitrary charge on St. Louis within the 100 mile zone which is not equally imposed on St. Louis traffic outside of the 100 mile zone, creates a discrimination against St. Louis, Mo., which is in violation of the Sherman act, and, therefore, the supreme court ordered that the same rate for St. Louis, Mo., traffic be applied without the 100 mile zone. Now the defendants say by acts and administration in giving St. Louis, Mo., traffic outside of said 100 mile zone the same rate that is given E. St. Louis, Ill., traffic that the same rate should apply to each city."

"The supreme court in its opinion says the discrimination against St. Louis, Mo., traffic within the 100 mile zone has resulted in a discrimination against the St. Louis, Mo., commerce in favor of East St. Louis, Ill., commerce and that this discrimination is one of the results of the exercise of the monopolistic power of the illegal combination, which resulting discrimination is an illegal restraint of commerce and a violation of the Sherman act. Therefore, the supreme court clearly intended to remove all discrimination against St. Louis commerce on the part of the defendants and as the defendants themselves admit, the way to remove it is to give the same rate to St. Louis, Mo., and East St. Louis, Ill."

For Xmas a package of Claus Tea Co.'s select coffee.

CHICAGO TO HAVE HAPPY DAY.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Symbolic of the big Christmas celebration which Chicago expects to enjoy tomorrow is the mammoth municipal Christmas tree erected in Grant park for the children of the poor. Public and private philanthropy have joined to extend the Christmas spirit from the center to the circumference of the big city. Patients and prisoners in public institutions are to have as joyful day as money and kindness can give them. Turkey or chicken dinners, Christmas trees and entertainments are to be provided for the inmates of the county jail, the workhouse, orphan asylums, hospitals and at all the public and semi-public institutions for the unfortunate. For the poor of the city the Salvation Army, the Volunteers of America and numerous other organizations have planned feasts and celebrations that will make all, at least temporarily, happy.

Smoke the Tappo cigar.

GOV. DUNNE WILL IGNORE THREATS AGAINST UTILITY ACT

Opinion From Attorney General Is
That Appointments Can Legally
Be Made.

The Springfield News states that Governor Dunne, fortified by an opinion from Attorney General Lucey, will proceed to name members of the utility commission so that they can qualify Jan. 1, 1914. The News says:

"Fortified by an opinion from Attorney General Lucey, Governor Dunne today is prepared to ignore the threats of the enemies of the new utilities act and to name the utilities commissioners and have them ready to qualify on Jan. 1. The opinion of the attorney general denies the claim that members of the new commission cannot be named except when the state senate is in session."

Mr. Lucey declares that after Jan. 1, when the utilities act becomes effective, vacancies will exist in the offices of public utilities commissioners and the governor may fill them in the manner provided in the constitution for the filling of vacancies. Wide publicity has been given to the charge that since the law provides the appointment of the commissioners must be confirmed by the senate, and since there can be no "vacancy" in an office never filled, the governor must call a special session.

The threat is made that the commission will be involved in court action and prevented from doing anything unless the special session is called. If Attorney General Lucey's opinion proves the opinion of a majority of the supreme court, however, any litigation of this character would be short-lived, and the governor is inclined to prove conclusions.

Calls It "Vacancy."
After quoting the provisions of the act, which says that the commissioners must be appointed within thirty days after the act takes effect on Jan. 1, 1914, "by and with the consent of the senate," and that "vacancies" may be filled temporarily when the senate is not in session, Mr. Lucey says in his opinion to the governor:

"It thus becomes apparent from this act and the constitution that on and after Jan. 1, 1914, there is existing in this state the office of state public utilities commission, and, if there is a vacancy in said office, which occurs during the recess of the senate, the governor has the power, both under the constitution and this act of the legislature, to make temporary appointment or appointments until the next meeting of the senate. It further seems that he has no power to make such appointments until March 1, 1915, 1916 and 1917, respectively, as is provided for by said act. The senate is now in recess and will be so, unless called in special session, until in January, 1915, and the question remains:

"Is there a vacancy in the office of state public utilities commission existing on and after Jan. 1, 1914?"

The word "vacancy" fitsly describes the condition of an office when it is first created and before it has been filled by an incumbent."

His Conclusion.
After quoting from rulings in other states in support of this contention, the opinion concludes:

"I am able to find in this state only one authority upon this question, being the case of the People vs. Opel, 188 Ill. 194, where, on pages 204 and 205, the court recognizes the doctrine that a vacancy exists in a newly created office where there is no one provided for to perform its duties, but that it does not so exist in an elective office where provision is made for some other officer to perform its duties until an election can be legally held. This case is de-

The Same Old Santa Claus The Grownups Used to Know.



Here he is, bless him—sly old Kris-Kingle, who is not comfortable unless he is doing something to make folks happy. He has come around again with a goodly array of gifts in spite of the high cost of living. The price of presents does not bother him at all, not in the slightest, and some people say he has his own private mint, where he makes all the money he needs to buy supplies for his toy factory.

cided upon the statute provided for filling vacancies in elective offices, above cited and in a case where it has become necessary to elect a probate court upon an increase in the population of the county wherein he is to be elected, and where an existing county clerk is provided until such an election could be held.

"In view of the quoted statutes and the above cited authorities, and for the reasons above assigned, I am of the opinion, if the general assembly is not called in special session, that on and after Jan. 1, 1914, there will occur a vacancy in the office of state public utilities commission, and that the governor has the power to appoint temporarily the members thereof, until the next meeting of the assembly, at which time their appointments, each and all, will expire by force of the constitution and the law, and that then the governor, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, may appoint the permanent commission, two until March 1, 1915, two until March 1, 1916, and one until March 1, 1917."

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.
Cards and Calendars.
Fountain Pens.
Address Books.
Bibles and Testaments.
Children's Books.
Kodak Albums.
Diaries, Date Books.
Bargain Book Store.

SUCCESSFUL TURKEY RAISING.

Mrs. Isaac Nunes residing on a farm in the vicinity of Meredosia set four turkey hens and they hatched 27 chicks which Mrs. Nunes carefully tended and reared. One she gave away, twelve she sold on foot and fourteen she dressed and received the neat sum of \$80.31 for the 26 birds. Mrs. Nunes is a Jacksonville girl and member of one of our best families. Four years ago she was married and three years she and her husband spent in Missouri after which they decided to return to God's country and have been glad ever since. Mrs. Nunes is pardonably proud of her success and says that young ladies reared in town can accomplish almost anything they set out to do.

FAIR EXCHANGE WRONGS

And the exchange that is offered at the Illinois Stock Exchange is more than fair for you get fine values there and great bargains and today without money and without price there goes out from the exchange a good wish for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everybody.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.
Mr. and Mrs. M. M. McComb have announced the engagement of their daughter Nellie May to Harry Mother of Abington, Ill. The wedding to take place in April, next.

DAVIS SWITCH.

J. E. Curry of Pisgah was transacting business in this neighborhood last Monday.

Carl Hembrough and wife, Claude Winter and wife were Friday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hembrough of Sinclair, going in Mr. Hembrough's Ford car.

A program will be given by the pupils of the Routt school on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Lulu Belle Hildreth, Miss Lucille Mason of Alexander, Miss Bessie Spire and Miss Louise Gebert of Jacksonville spent Sunday with Miss Catherine Cain, south of the city.

Miss Clara Rook was a shopper in the city recently.

John Costello and wife were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Cain, south of the city.

Earl Wouff and sister were visiting in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Joseph Hellewell and children were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. G. M. Barnhart.

Mrs. Gertrude James was quite sick last week.

A. Currier and wife were shoppers in the city Friday.

Miss Marie Bussey was quite sick last week.

Mrs. Thomas Simpkins passed away at the family residence, southwest of the city, Dec. 8. She had been ill for over a year and death to one prepared as she was to go was a welcome relief from suffering.

It is hard to part from lone one, so dear.

But oh, a light shines on the way; The gloom of night has turned to day;

Jesus the mighty one to save has gained the victory o'er the grave. In death's dark vale I will not fear, Jesus, my Savior, will be near.

Although for me earth's close shut doors Will never open any more.

Wide open stands heaven's pearly gates And where my loved ones me await; Joy, wondrous joy, now I sing; O grave, O death, where is thy sting?

A POLITE GREETING

and the best wishes with it is the message of J. Herman to the ladies of Jacksonville and vicinity. With a desire that all may have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year he promises greater devotion than ever to the welfare of the ladies of Jacksonville and vicinity and expresses hope for the best of success for them.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

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COMMUNITY TREES IN

MANY CITIES.
New York, Dec. 24.—The example of the "Group of Idealists" who set up the first Christmas tree in Madison Square last year, has been followed this year in cities throughout the land. Fully four scores cities have provided community Christmas trees this year, according to reports received here. Among the cities are Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Birmingham, Dallas, Washington, Pittsburgh, Hartford, Rochester, Minneapolis, Baltimore, Utica, Newark and Schenectady.

HOW SWEET AND HOW LOVELY.

Say all as they pass Bonansinga's says to them all he wishes them a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He draws on all parts of the world for his confectiory, fruits and good things and all for you.

MILLER IN NAME AND

GROCERS BY TRADE.

Miller Brothers say to everybody Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and are glad of past custom and home to treat everybody so well that they will continue their patronage always.

ARENZVILLE.

Otto Niemann and Miss Lela Lovekamp were quietly married Sunday morning at St. Peter's church by Rev. Mr. Gartner. It was quite a surprise, although they have had a new bungalow built for some time. Their numerous friends will be glad that they will make this vicinity their home and wish them happiness and success in their married life. The bride is a young woman of many accomplishments and a whole circle of friends. The groom is a young man of business ability, ambitious and commands the high respect of all who know him.

Walter Kolbert, who is attending business college at Jacksonville, was a recent visitor with home folks.

W. J. Green was transacting business in Jacksonville one day this week.

Dr. A. T. Streuter was a professional caller in Jacksonville a few days since.

Harrison Squires of west of town, who is attending college in Jacksonville, was home on a few days' visit.

Mrs. Ed Smith and daughter, Mabel, were in Jacksonville this week shopping.

Miss Elsie Wood has returned from an extended visit in California.

Al Wood is in Meadville, Mo., where he and his family expect to move soon.

Arthur Weeks has been quite sick.

Mrs. Schaffer is improving after several weeks' illness.

Dr. J. H. Fountain of Chapin was a recent professional caller in our vicinity.

Miss Mary Long, one of our school teachers, spent the week end with relatives in Beardstown.

Al Dyer is visiting in Ashland.

Mrs. Ed Shrewsbury and children, Charles and Irene, were visitors in Jacksonville Saturday.

Mrs. John Schnitzer was a shopper in Jacksonville Wednesday.

Miss Esther Pfeil was a caller in Jacksonville Wednesday.

Mrs. Dolly Ingram and daughter, Mildred, of Bath are visiting at the home of Bill Fley on their way home from a visit in St. Louis with Mr. Ingram.

Mrs. B. F. Graham was in Jacksonville this week transacting business.

Miss Mattie Hegener of north of town, who is attending Illinois college, spent a few days with home folks.

NEVER SAW BETTER ANYWHERE

Say all who investigate the Jacksonville Candy Co. They offer a Merry Christmas to everybody and Happy New Year and at the same time clean, nice goods fresh, reasonable and delicious. Every one should see their fine store.

BIDS FOR BOILER.

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Jacksonville, Ill., at the office of Commissioner of Accounts and Finance at City Hall until 10 a. m., January 5th, A. D., 1914, for one Water Tube Boiler in accordance with specifications on file at the office of City Clerk.

All bids should be sealed and marked "Bids for Boiler" and addressed to the undersigned.

Charles R. Knollenberg, Commissioner of Accounts and Finance.

The city reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Jacksonville, Ill., Dec. 22, 1913.

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To All Our
FRIENDS
And
CUSTOMERS
A Merry Xmas
And
Happy New Year

Shannahan & Shannahan

CITY AND COUNTY

Leonard Aree is a guest of home folk in Litchfield today.

Jesse Buchanan of Pearl had business in the city yesterday.

Miss Gertha Young of Alexander was a city shopper yesterday.

Albert Strible of Litchfield was a caller on city people yesterday.

G. S. Austin of Litchfield was a caller on city merchants yesterday.

W. Breeding of Bath was transacting business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. D. H. Crum of Litchfield spent yesterday shopping in the city.

James Mullens of Concord transacted business in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Gibbs are guests of relatives in Mt. Sterling today.

Mrs. Mayne Fortado is visiting with friends and relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. R. Bell of Saldora was among the shoppers in the city yesterday.

J. G. Ryman of Centerville was among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Lee Meredith of Franklin was among the shoppers in the city yesterday.

Lee Brown of Winchester was a caller on Jacksonville people yesterday.

Captain S. E. Ballard of Ottawa, was among the city arrivals yesterday.

W. T. Willard of Chapin was transacting business in the city Wednesday.

Lewis Seymour was among the Nortonville visitors in the city Wednesday.

Charles V. Cox of Chambersburg visited with Jacksonville friends yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Vasconcellos are expected in the city today from Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Nellis Crain are Christmas guests of relatives in Woodson.

Miss Lana McPhail is spending Christmas with home folk in Mt. Sterling.

Mrs. Henry Baskett of South West street is a guest of friends in Springfield today.

Louis Brockhouse of Chapin was among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Louis Ettingham of Springfield was calling on Jacksonville business men yesterday.

Prince Coates and family of Riggs were among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bourn of Litchfield were among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Lona Becker has returned to Petersburg after a visit with Mrs. Gunn, west of the city.

A. Abernathy of Springfield is spending Christmas with his family on North Main street.

Dr. Edward Fenity of Kane, Ill., was among the professional visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Margaret Moran of West College avenue is enjoying a visit at her home in Springfield, Ill.

Mrs. Richard Hocking of South Mauwaister street is spending the day with relatives in Franklin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kastrup have gone to Carrollton to visit for a week with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Walker will spend Christmas in Ashland with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thornley.

Mrs. J. F. Claywell and son, Clyde, of Winchester were among the shoppers in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Obermeyer expected to go to Chicago today to visit with relatives until after the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Davidson of Joy Prairie are spending the day with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Smith of Pittsfield.

P. C. Carriel was expected home last night from Indianapolis for a visit with his mother on West College avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Roberts and son Myler will enjoy a holiday visit with Mr. Roberts' mother and sister in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McPherson, nee Miss Bessie Turner, are down from Chicago for visit with friends and relatives.

Miss Nellie Reaugh of Collinsville was expected home for the holidays last night by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Reaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ring of Winchester are Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. Margaret Loneragan of South Main street.

Mrs. James Fearneyhough and daughters, Helen and Frances, all residents of Winchester, were arrivals in the city yesterday.

J. S. Hall of the night shift in the boiler shop at the car shops, has gone to Markham for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Turner of White Hall were in the city yesterday on their way to Adrain, Mich., to visit with their son, Harry and wife.

G. B. Rawlings left yesterday for Bartlesville, Okla., where he will spend Christmas with his son, John A. Rawlings and daughter, Miss Amanda.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gibbs and daughter expect to go to Winchester today to join a family party at the home of Mr. Gibbs' mother, Mrs. Mary E. Gibbs.

Miss Amelia Gruenewald is home from Davenport, Iowa, for a visit with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. Gruenewald and Miss Idella was expected last night from Highland.

Dr. C. H. Kaufman was expected down yesterday from Chicago to join his wife, Mrs. Bertha Wright Kaufman for a visit of a few days with Mrs. Nora Wright on South Main street.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Cochran are enjoying a genuine holiday family reunion. Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Duncan and son of St. Charles, Mo., arrived a short time since and yesterday morning, Miss Gladys Cochran came down from Chicago for a short visit.

MR. REX BRITTENHAM AND MISS FAY DRESSER WILL WED TODAY

Ceremony Will Take Place at 7:30 O'clock This Evening at Home of Mother of Bride-to-be.

Mr. Rollins Rex Brittenham and Miss Fay Dresser, both of this city will be married this evening at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Miss Dresser's mother, Mrs. Anna C. Dresser, 1003 South Clay avenue. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. W. W. Theobald, pastor of the Brooklyn M. E. church.

The ceremony will take place in the living room of the Dresser residence, in which an altar of ferns and white roses has been placed. The decorations in the other part of the house will be in keeping with the Christmas season. The couple will be attended by Miss Nina A. Wright and Mr. Leroy Potter. Miss Porcia Brockman will carry the ring. Miss Louise Sheppard will act as flower girl and the wedding march from Lohengrin will be played by Miss Estela Schofield. After the wedding a two course wedding supper will be served the guests.

The bride will wear a gown of white charmeuse trimmed with real Armenian lace and pearls and will carry blue crepe meteor trimmed with forget-me-nots and carry pink roses.

Miss Dresser is a daughter of Mrs. Anna C. Dresser and was born and reared in this city. She received her education in the Jacksonville public schools, and graduated from the High School and Brown's Business College. Mr. Brittenham is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Brittenham of 551 Hardin avenue and is a graduate of the High School. For some time he was associated with his father in the poultry business and some months ago he accepted a position with the Bartlett Candy Co., of St. Louis, his territory comprising Missouri and Kansas. It is understood however that Mr. Brittenham now contemplates re-entering business with his father. Both of the young people are deservedly popular among a wide circle of friends and they will be extended hearty congratulations. They have already received a large number of beautiful and useful presents.

They will leave the city early Friday morning for a short wedding trip and expect to return to the city soon after the first of the year. They will make their home in Jacksonville for a few months.

Among those from a distance who will attend the ceremony are: Fred Steele and Miss Vida Steele of Virden, Mrs. William Hamilton, Mrs. George Abrams and Charles Quintal all of Naples.

NOTICE

THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1914
WILL COMMENCE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1913.
THE AYERS NATIONAL BANK.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Louie Munis, Jacksonville; Mary Fernandez, Jacksonville.

Earl Munis, Jacksonville; Retha Effie Winner, Jacksonville.

Clay S. Roach, Pisgah; Anna E. Moore, Alton.

Ervin M. Gouveia, Jacksonville; Mabel D. Todd, Lynnville.

Charles Motley, Athensville; Julia F. Edwards, Athensville.

Benjamin Arthur Smith, Woodson; Bessie Gibbs Virgin, Woodson.

William H. Harris, Edwardsville; Johanna Stanberry, Waverly.

Rollins Rex Brittenham, Jacksonville; Fay Dresser, Jacksonville.

Cure Your Cold While You Can
More real danger lurks in a cold than in any other of the minor ailments. The safe way is to take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and rid yourself of the cold as quickly as possible. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.

CHRISTMAS WITH SPANISH ROYALTY
Madrid, Dec. 24.—In accordance with their custom, King Alfonso and his family will hold their Christmas celebration at the royal palace in Madrid, where a Christmas tree for the royal children has been set up after the English style. Tomorrow morning the king and queen will attend mass in state. The royal children will enjoy the morning playing with their new toys, but in the afternoon they will attend the manger ceremony at the church. This is a custom that is required of the royal children as well as the children of all Spanish grandees.

BOOKS.
Christmas books for children. Bargain Book Store.

NOTICE.
Regular meeting of Matt Starr Post, G. A. R. hall Friday, Dec. 26, at 7:30 p. m.

W. H. Jordan, Com. C. E. McDougall, Acting Adjt.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
Leonora Kenniebrew to Alonzo H. Kenniebrew, quit claim deed, part lot 1, block 16, city addition, Jacksonville, \$1.

John M. Pine to Dean Wilday, warranty deed, SE 1-4 NE 1-4 section 33, SW 1-4 NW 1-4 and NW 1-4 SW 1-4 section 34, township 16, range 13.

Fresh roasted Jumbo peanuts 15c lb. Claus Tea Co.

RECEIVED GOOD PRICE.
A. P. Groat of Winchester at Monday's Chicago market sold 18 head of Angus, averaging 1,270 pounds, at \$9.60.

A Danger Signal.
Hoarseness in a child that is subject to croup is a sure sign of an approaching attack. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse and the attack may be ward off. For sale by all dealers.—Adv.



Entering the evening of the old year comes the thoughts of the kind of service which we have endeavored to render to bring us all closer together. We wish one and all the joys of this Christmas season and that our prosperity and community loyalty will continue to grow during the coming year.—Chamber of Commerce.

Are You Gully?
There are still quite a number of men who have joined the Chamber of Commerce who have not squared themselves with that organization. Some obligations have been incurred on the assumption that those owing dues would settle for them.

Throwing Away Good Money.
In city men the size of Jacksonville the business men and good people of the community are daily confronted by charity workers, ticket sellers, and local and foreign persons desiring to sell their pet advertising schemes. Some of them are no doubt worthy, but where the danger comes is that the good covers up the bad. They make good fellows who seek to deceive the most wise discerners.

The Chamber of Commerce has tried to solve this hard problem of giving, but out most active members are the worst violators of an agreement to stand together and not throw away good money that will never return. Because your friend comes with a most heart rendering appeal, you are not helping the cause of co-operation along by becoming weak-kneed.

If the business men of Jacksonville were encouraging the work of the Chamber of Commerce by giving one-half that they are not proficallly spending on their unorganized efforts, we would show you greater results. The ticket sale has gotten to the point of a public nuisance and every church member and citizen should refuse to give it their sanction. Many people do not realize that the average retailer on the square is the prey for every individual whim and fancy and they are not nearly as able to give as people who are occupying less important positions in our midst.

Red Cross Seal Stamps.
The Chamber of Commerce is boosting the Red Cross Stamp sale by placing one on all the letters sent out from the office. This cause is worthy of our attention and with the money part of the expenses of a tree clinic is defrayed. The pennies soon make the dollars and it takes them.

Broadening Field of Organization.
(From address of E. A. Filene of Boston before the American Chamber of Commerce of Paris).

I look forward to a great improvement in organization of business men locally, and the general adoption of the principles that have made for the greatest success of the well organized Chambers of Commerce of our country, namely, that it is good business to concentrate the business interests in every city in one strong democratic organization, and thus concentrated they shall be foremost in helping forward the civic and social progress of their city and its citizens with the same degree of interest as they help its commercial and industrial progress.

THE CALF PATH.
(By Sam Walter Foss).

One day thru the primeval wood
A calf walked home, as good calves should.

But made a trail all bent askew.
A crooked trail, as calves will do.

Since then a hundred years have fled
And I infer the calf is dead.

But still he left behind his trail
And thereby hangs my moral tale.

The trail was taken up next day
By a lone dog that passed that way.

And then a bell-wether sheep
Pursued the trail for vale and steep.

And drove the flock behind him too.
As good bell-wethers always do.

And from that day o'er hill and glade
Thru those old woods a path was made.

And many men wound in and out,
And dodged the turned and bent about.

And uttered words of righteous wrath
Because 'twas such a crooked path.

But still they followed!—so not
The first migrations of that calf.

As thru this winding roadway
Because he wobbled when he walked.

The first path became a lane
That bent and turned and turned again.

This crooked lane became a road,
Where many a poor horse with his load

Toiled on beneath the burning sun
And traveled some three fies in one.

And thus a century and a half
They trod the footsteps of that calf.

The years passed on in swift feet
The road became a village street;

And this, before men were aware,
A city's crowded thoroughfare.

And soon the central street was this
Of a renowned Metropolis;

And men two centuries and a half
Trod in the footsteps of that calf.

Each day a hundred thousand rout
Followed this zig-zag calf about.

And o'er the crooked journey went
The traffic of a continent.

A hundred thousand men were led
By one calf near three centuries dead.

They followed still his crooked way

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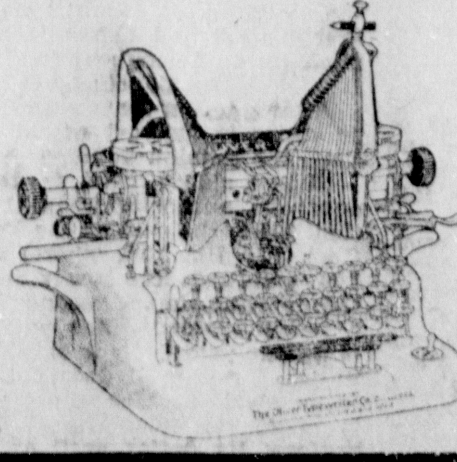
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DUAL-PURPOSE CREAMERY.

Farm Women Solving Laundry Problems Through Co-operation--Relieves Farm Home of One of Its Heavy Burdens.

Many are the arguments for and against the so-called "dual-purpose" cow. The consensus of opinion among our breeders is that the highest beef type and the strongest milk power cannot be produced in the same animal, and during all the years that such breeding has been advocated no halfway has been made in establishing this kind of animal. While the breeders have been worrying over this problem, it seems that the farm women of at least one community have solved the problem of a dual-purpose creamery.

Farm Women Responsible.
From a well authenticated source comes the information that a co-operative creamery located in a little town in Minnesota has been made a dual-purpose institution to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. The women of the community said: "Let us have a laundry in connection with our creamery," and their logic appealed to the men; subscriptions from \$5 to \$25 were made to finance the enterprise, and the laundry was established; it is housed in a 30x70 foot addition built on to the creamery and the machinery of the laundry is run by the creamery engine, utilizing more fully the power and heat necessary in the operation of the creamery. The farmers bring the "family washing" when they come with the cream and on the next trip to the creamery take home the clean clothes ready for use. The laundry bill is charged to the cream account and taken out at the end of the month; five cents a pound is charged for washing. All flat work is run through the mangle without extra charge, and patrons may have the "rough dry" ironed by hand by paying 15 cents an hour for the time it takes a woman to do the work.

Satisfactory Results.

The success of this co-operative enterprise has been all that its promoters hoped for, as will be seen by the following: At the end of the first eleven months the total receipts were \$4,803.21; wages paid, \$3,556.25; ten per cent. rebate to patrons, \$480.32; soap, starch, etc., \$250; paid creamery company for power, \$150; paid creamery company for rent, \$100; dividend to the stockholders, \$100; incidental expenses, \$166.64; total, \$4,803.21.

The machinery is owned by the laundry and cost \$2,500. The laundry also serves families who do not patronize the creamery, but such customers are not entitled to any rebate. It has been found that the average cost of a week's family washing is only 97.9 cents.

Help in the Home Problem.
Many farmers have rented their farms and moved to town, giving as their reason for this that it was impossible to secure competent help in the home. This co-operative laundry scheme established in a community would go a long way toward solving this vexatious problem and take the strain of responsibility and the labor of the family wash each week from the already busy life of the farm home maker.

May the day soon come when "dual-purpose" creameries are the rule rather than the exception in rural communities; surely the conservation of the health, strength and lives of wives and mothers of Illinois farms is worth the effort to establish them.--H. A. McKeene, Secretary, Illinois Farmers' Institute.

NOTICE.

The Woman's Relief Corps will meet Friday at 2:30 at G. A. R. hall West Morgan street.

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EXTENDS GREETING.

I am pleased to offer holiday greetings to all my friends and the people generally; thanking them for fine trade while I was abroad and for constant patronage since my return. Herman Weber & Sons always try to please you every way.
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BIDS FOR GENERATOR.

Sealed bids will be received by the city of Jacksonville, at the office of the commissioner of accounts and finance, at the city hall, until 10 a. m., January 5th, 1914, for one three phase, 60 cycle, 2300 volts, belted generator 150 K. W. alternating current, in accordance with specifications on file at the office of the city clerk. All bids should be sealed and marked "Bid for Generator" and addressed to the undersigned. The city reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Charles R. Knollenberg,
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SALEM CHURCH TODAY.

Salem Evangelical Lutheran church, East College street, Rev. J. G. Kuppler, pastor.

On Christmas day there will be divine services in German at 10 a. m., and in English at 7 p. m.

At the morning service the choir will sing a Christmas cantata entitled "Ach Das Die Huelfe Aus Zion Kaeme," and Mrs. Robert L. Stice will sing, "O, Hebrä Nacht." At the evening service the school and Sunday school will render a program of Christmas songs, recitations and a catechism on the birth of Christ. The choir will sing: "Time of Joy Today." Mrs. Robert L. Stice will sing, "In Der Christnacht" and "The Christchild."

A large and beautiful Christmas tree will grace the church, and gifts will be distributed to the children. All are welcome.

THE HIGH PRICED EGG

Radical Differences in Fresh Laid Eggs--More in Feed Than in Breed--High Quality Eggs are Infertile.

Just now when the fresh eggs are the greatest luxury we can have out of our tables, it may not be out of the way to reflect a little upon some of the reasons for its scarcity.

Whether we are to consider the eggs as fresh or packed the problem is the same and its solution is well within the reach of every farmer's wife who is half way interested in studying the matter in an intelligent way. The problem then is this: how shall we produce the eggs of first class quality that will keep indefinitely? Some have labored under the misapprehension that eggs were eggs without taking into consideration the fact that there may be radical differences in freshly laid eggs that materially affect their keeping qualities. Like a good many small considerations on the farm, poultry has had to shift for itself with the understanding that somehow it will take care of itself and has seldom been regarded in the proper light of importance with the other branches of farm production. In other words, it has often been neglected and not handled with even intelligent care.

Artificial Methods Necessary.
When we remember that the egg production, according to the records of our farm flocks of today, is altogether an artificial matter from every standpoint and that the wild hen of the jungle was only expected to lay her nest full of eggs for the express purpose of reproducing her kind, we shall understand that the modern hen is only capable of rendering the most efficient service when she has every careful attention, and that some of these must of necessity be artificial.

If the egg producing hen is herself the result of careful selection, heredity must first of all be considered one of the potent factors in egg production. All the conclusions of the late experiments point to the fact that "there is more in the feed than in the breed," so, after using the hereditary principle for all it will do, we must naturally employ every means of furnishing our egg machine with materials for making the eggs. Then we must remember that only in the highest state of health can she be expected to do her duty and every inducement must be offered in the way of protection against disease. One of the standard preparation, such as Kresco dip, is the safest insurance against disease germs of all kind, on account of its penetrating and enduring qualities.

The early pullets and hens that are quite recovered from the effects of moulting (so easily hastened by the use of small feeds of oil meal) are the ones to furnish the high priced eggs at this season.

A \$15,000, 000 Loss Annually.

If the egg is to be of the highest quality, it must be the infertile egg at once the result of breeding, feeding and protection against disease, and this kind of an egg can readily be kept fresh for an indefinite period. The fertile egg, produced for purposes of incubation, is sometimes unsafe as an article of diet after the first twelve hours with ordinary care. To accomplish this result by far the most important provision and one so commonly neglected through ignorance, is to sell, kill or confine all male birds as soon as the hatching season is over. Contrary to the belief of many, such an arrangement has absolutely no influence whatever upon egg production, but on the contrary, in connection with other suggestions offered above, furnishes a safeguard against the losses of eggs which have been placed by the department at Washington at fifteen million dollars worth annually from this source alone.--J. J. Burrows, director Illinois Farmers' Institute.

Latest out, Tango.

THE FEED THAT

MAKES CHEAP BEEF.
Herbert Quick, editor of Farm & Fireside, the national farm paper, published at Springfield, Ohio, tells the following story in the current issue of his publication apropos of the value of alfalfa:

"Three years ago a stockman who farms about 1,100 acres of the finest land in Ohio, was not much in favor of alfalfa. He is a very progressive farmer, but, like most of us, he was running along in the old corn-wheat-clover fashion. He had two men feeding for him--one an old colored man who had been with him a long time, and the other an agricultural college man. He also had a few acres of alfalfa. There was a contest on between the old colored man and the expert as to who could put more weight per head per month on their respective herds. The first month's weighing showed the expert in the lead. The next weighing put the colored man so far ahead that the expert wondered how it could be. Both herds had plenty of good timothy and clover hay. Both had all the corn they could manage. Was the old negro a better feeder than the college man?

"It seemed so; but the expert, being scientifically educated, began looking for the reason in a scientific way. He found that the only difference was to be found in the fact that the crafty old colored man had been systematically mixing alfalfa hay with the ration. The protein in the alfalfa had been going into the muscles and bones of the cattle he fed."

"A good stockman needed no further proof as to the value of alfalfa over timothy and clover. Acting on this proof, he began working into alfalfa. He plans to build more silos, and as soon as he can will make his feeding ration one of corn silage, ear corn and alfalfa hay. This ration is shown by the tests at Lincoln, Neb., to be the feed that will make beef cheapest."

LIBRARY BOOKS.

See the new list of children's books recommended by the library on sale at the Bargain Book Store.

REUNITED.

(Original.)

One Christmas eve the snow fell fast The shoppers laden with bundles passed Along the streets. Each seemed to be Too rushed to notice or even see Anyone else as they passed along. Hurrying on in the merry throng.

Apart from the crowd of shoppers I gay, Stood one who was old and wrinkled and gray, And whose white hair fell o'er his shoulders bent Like a mantle of love from Heaven sent. But nobody passed nor seemed to care For the bent old man with the silver hair.

At length slow and careful he ventured out Amid the gay throng, with many a doubt As to making his way; he was jostled and pushed, As onward the holiday shoppers rushed, Till presently up to his side there pressed A gay young youth so richly dressed.

"I'll help you along through the crowd," he said. With a flash of his eye and a toss of his head. "Who are you?" the aged one asked, "and why Do you choose to help such a one as I?" So old and feeble I scarce can go In the crowded streets and the falling snow?"

"Because," gently answered the gay young youth, While a tear-drop fell from his eye of truth. "I have a grandfather dear, somewhere, In this wide world he roams, I know not where. I am unable to help him, so I help someone else for him, you know."

"So that is the reason I'm trying to guide Your tottering footsteps along by my side. So, tell me the way that you want to go And I'll lead you over the slippery snow."

"Alas," said the old man, "no difference it makes, For I have no home, there it no one who takes Care of me or sees that I've clothing or bread. No one to care were I living or dead."

"I once had a son, bright and handsome as you, But I've lost him somehow, though I know if he knew Where I was, he would come to me, now old and gray. And give me a home for the rest of my stay."

"Why, I'll give you a home," the young man cried, "My father is rich and you can abide In happiness there for the rest of your life. And be free from all poverty, sorrow or strife." So saying, the youth gently guided him where Sweet stillness prevailed and perfume filled the air.

He sat the old man right down by the side Of his father, who in astonishment cried, "Father!" and folded his arms round the old. Bent figure, rejoicing with gladness untold, And the Angels of Heaven bent low to hear That reverend prayer, murmured faint, yet clear. "I thank Thee, my Father, for what Thou has done. You guided my footsteps to find my dear son."

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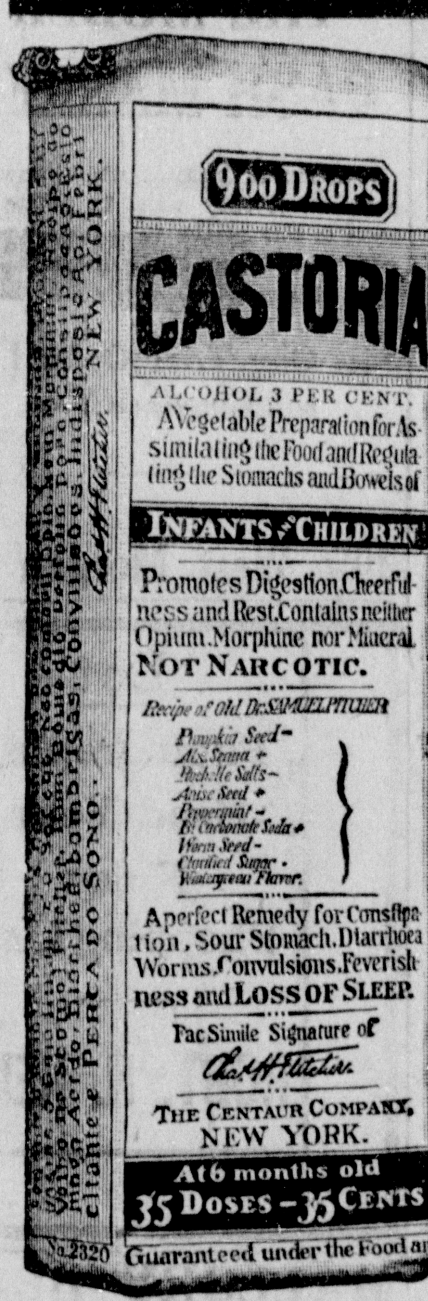
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Interesting Christmas Program Given Last Night.

The Sunday school of the Durbin Methodist Episcopal church gave a most interesting Christmas program last night, before a large audience. A Christmas tree was prettily decorated and heavily loaded with beautiful gifts for the children and older folks and in every way the entertainment was successful. The following was the program:

Solo—Miss Vella Oxley with chorus by school.
Prayer—Rev. John Kettle.
Exercise, A Bible Story—Derrel Wilson, Vernon McLamar, Harold McDevitt, Claire Wilson.
Recitation, Christmas Wishes—Thelma Oxley.
Solo—Elizabeth Scott.
Exercise, Christmas Stars—Clarke Rawlings, Aileen Ebbey, Beatrice Ebbey, Gertrude Shepherd, Burton Scott, Howard Scott, Lucile Cox.
Recitation, Serius to Me—Kenneth Rawlings.
Recitation, I Know a Boy—Lawrence Smith.
Solo—Juanita Scott.
Recitation, A Christmas Prayer—Forest Rawlings.
Exercise, What Will You Do?—Russell Cox and Byron Smith.
Recitation, A Servant—Helen Scott.
Solo—Ruth McLamar.
Recitation, A Mistake—Lucile Cox.
Recitation, A King—Ruby Smith.
Violin solo—Dawson Darley.
Recitation, Everywhere—Lawrence Cox.
Recitation, Constant Christmas—Russell Rawlings.
Solo—Daisy Scott.
Exercise, The Living Star—Dorothy McDevitt, Ruth and Glenn Ebbey, Velma Story, Dawson Darley, Floyd Smith, Katherine Kettle.
Solo—Miss Vella Oxley.
Recitation—Dwight Wells.
Exercise, The Angels' Message—Dawson Darley, Katherine Kettle.
Recitation, Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight—Miss Etta Robinson.

NOTICE

THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1914 WILL COMMENCE MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1913. THE AYERS NATIONAL BANK.

CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR ALL. New York, Dec. 24.—New York went home today laden with Merry Christmas as the city has enjoyed in many years. The streets, the shops, the cars were crowded all day with persons making their final purchases. Tradersmen distributed gifts among their customers and employers handed out tens of thousands of dollars as Christmas remembrances to their employees. Municipal and private philanthropic organizations spent the day in completing the final preparations for feeding the city's hungry tomorrow and making them feel that they were sharers in the general celebration.

ORDER YOUR FEED EARLY. Order your feed early Friday. We close all day today. Don't forget to buy a sack of "Cannon Flour." Wishing our friends and patrons a Merry Xmas.

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FEAST OF THE MACCABEES. New York, Dec. 24.—Coinciding with the celebration of Christmas by the Christian world, the Jewish communities in all countries tonight began the celebration of their Feast of the Maccabees, which, like Christmas, is devoted to entertainments of special interest to children. The feast is celebrated annually to commemorate the victory of the Maccabees, a family of Jewish patriots, who headed a religious revolt in the reign of Antiochus IV., B. C. 175-164. The victory led to a period of freedom of Judea after a struggle lasting 37 years.

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GAVE SILK UMBRELLA.

Harmon Dry Goods Store donated a silk umbrella as a prize for the collectors of the Our Savior's hospital tag day fund. Among the collectors was Miss Mary Clancy, who turned in \$6 and whose name was omitted from the list.

Get Your Coffee for Xmas at Claus Tea Co.

STAGE CHILDREN'S

CHRISTMAS CHEER. New York, Dec. 24.—The annual Christmas festival for children of the stage, begun nearly forty years ago by "Aunt" Louisa Eldridge, Mrs. E. L. Fernandez and Tony Pastor, all of whom are now dead, will be held next Sunday in the Criterion theater, which has been donated by Charles Frohman. The entertainment will be in three parts, starting with a performance on the stage of the Criterion given by the children themselves. A banquet in the concert hall of the New York theater will follow and then will come the distribution of gifts from a big Christmas tree.

Sewing machines. Gay's Reliable Hardware.

PISCATAWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Christian Endeavor Society of Piscataway Presbyterian church will hold a Christmas social at the church Friday evening, this week at 7 o'clock, to which members of the church are invited. An interesting program will be given and light refreshments served.

ILLINOIS STATE POULTRY SHOW AT SPRINGFIELD

Will Take Place in Arsenal January 5-10th—University of Illinois To Have Exhibition

The Illinois State Poultry show, to be held in the state arsenal in Springfield, Jan. 5 to 10, 1914, promises to exceed all previous shows of its kind, if inquiries for catalogues from prospective exhibitors can be taken as a criterion.

The record has been broken as to the number of entries received so long in advance.

The attention of all exhibitors is called to the fact that all entries for this show must be mailed on Dec. 26 to T. S. McCoy, secretary, Golconda, Ill., as the rule of the American Poultry show is so strict that the secretary will not be allowed to receive an entry mailed after that date.

A number of state specialty clubs will have their annual meeting at the state show. Among them are the meetings of the S. C. Black Minorca club, the S. C. Buff Orpington club, the White Wyandotte club, the Columbian Wyandotte club, the Ancona club and the Houdan club. These meetings will bring out a good exhibit of these varieties.

One of the features of this show this year will be the national meeting of the Rose Comb Black Minorca club, of which J. S. Bales of R. 2, Springfield, is one of the directors. Entries have already been received from several states, and many states will be represented before the entries finally close.

Lloyd C. Mishler, secretary of the club at North Manchester, Ind., is striving hard to make this the banner exhibit of the club. J. H. Minshall of Brantford, Ontario, has been employed to pass on Minorcas, and he will also pass on all varieties of Leghorns.

University of Illinois Exhibit. The University of Illinois will have an exhibit under the supervision of Prof. D. O. Barto, and this should attract considerable attention to the work that is being done at Urbana.

No poultry breeder can afford to miss hearing Prof. A. C. Phillips of Purdue university, Ind., speak on the subject "Problems and Profit in Poultry." Professor Phillips is a forcible speaker and is one of the best poultry instructors in the country. Equally as good will be the address of Prof. R. C. Lawry, formerly assistant instructor in poultry at the New York experiment station, and now manager of the Yesterlaid Eggs Farms company of Pacific, Mo. He will speak on the subject "The Poultry Business of the Future." These addresses will be the feature of the banquet to be held at the St. Nicholas hotel on Wednesday night.

The demonstration to be given by Professor Phillips of trussing a fowl for the oven will be a feature that every housewife should be sure to see.

This will occur Wednesday afternoon. George H. Rudy, breeder of Perfection Wyandottes, of Mattoon, Ill., is specially preparing a young White Wyandotte cockerel for this occasion.

THE ST. LOUIS SYMPHONY CLUB

Read these press comments on Marion Green, the soloist who will appear with the St. Louis Symphony Club concert at the Grand opera house next Monday.

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JOHN D.'S \$35,000 CHRISTMAS.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 24.—For the first time in 25 years, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller are to spend Christmas day in Cleveland and plans for a big celebration at Forest Hill, Mr. Rockefeller's Cleveland estate, were completed today. Mr. Rockefeller will spend the day surrounded by as many of the members of his family as possible and all his old Cleveland friends. It is said the festivities will occasion an outlay of \$35,000. While the plans for the celebration have been made on a large scale, it is understood there will be nothing ostentatious about the observance of the day.

(Written for the Christian Standard.)

IMMANUEL.

(Winston Wharton.)
At the break of day,
From the hills away,
The stars all masked save one,
Came the shepherds bold
As the birds foretold.
And the star was their only sun.

The men of the East
Left doubt deceased,
And followed the selfsame star,
Till the men of the books
Met the men of the brooks,
Bringing rare myrrh from afar.

In swaddling-clothes,
As sweet as a rose,
An infant was shown to them,
While they whispered their praise
To the Prince of the days,
The Baby of Bethlehem.

So cometh today,
In a halcyon way,
The giving of gracious things,
Erstwhile, uppermost,
The angelic host
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HOW TO KILL WOLVES.

A gentleman who noted the presence of wolves in this county tells of a successful plan by which he knew a number of the varmints to be killed. Some marksmen scattered about a straw pile a lot of highly smelling, tainted meat sufficient to attract the attention of the wolves and then concealed themselves in the straw on top of the stack and when the wolves came for the meat several were felled with well aimed bullets.

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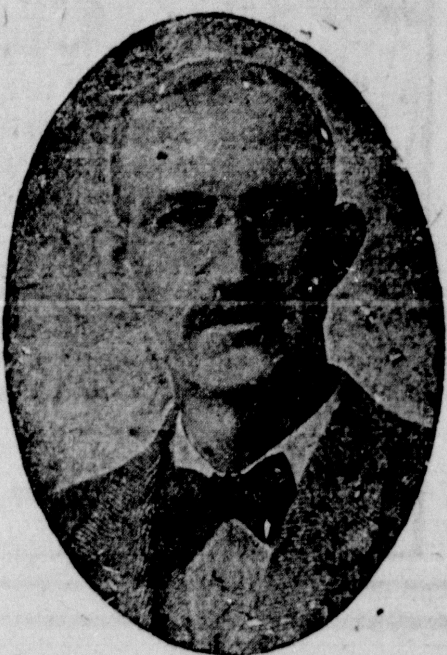
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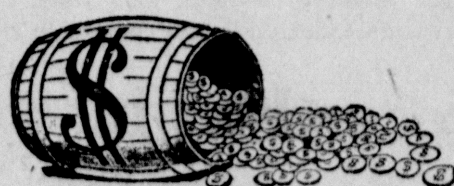
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BOYS AND GIRLS WHO WON CROP AND CANNING PRIZES REWARDED

Thoroughly Enjoyed Their Recent Trip to Washington, D. C.—Alabama Lad Broke World's Record By Raising More Than 232 Bushels of Corn On One Acre.

Members of the Morgan County Farm Boys' club and those who have watched their work will be interested in the following report which has been sent out by the department of agriculture to crop correspondents. The story is told of the seventy-five boys and girls who led in the production of various crops and in canning, and were recently taken on a trip to Washington. Walker Dunson of Alabama broke the world's record by raising 232.7 bushels of corn on one acre.

"Over 75 farm boys and girls who as members of agricultural clubs have led their states in the production of corn, potatoes, cotton and tomatoes and in the home canning of their own garden produce, spent from December 11 to December 18 in Washington. The trip to Washington, the expenses of which were borne by individuals and civic, commercial and agricultural organizations in the states, who are proud of the agricultural achievement of their sons and daughters, was one of the many rewards of these little champions. The boys and girls visited many points of interest in and about Washington, were received by many government officials and obtained their coveted diplomas from the secretary of agriculture. The work done by these children was under the direction of the Office of Farmers' Cooperative Demonstration and the Office of Farm Management.

"Of the corn club boys, Walter Lee Dunson, of Alexander City, Tallapoosa county, Alabama, not only leads the country, but has broken the world's record for corn production. Walker raised 232.7 bushels on a single acre, at a cost of 19.9 cents per bushel. This exceeds the previous record of 228.75 bushels, at a cost of 42 cents per bushel, held by Jerry Moore of South Carolina. The second corn club boy this year is J. Jones, Polk, of Prentiss, Jeff Davis county, Miss., with 214.9 bushels, raised at a cost of 21.4 cents per bushel, and the third was J. Ray Cameron, Kinross county, N. C., with 190.4 bushels, raised at a cost of 33.25 cents per bushel.

"Of the girls, the leader in canning and tomato work is Miss Clyde Sullivan, of Usley, Lowndes county, Ga., who put up 2,464 cans of a yield of 5,354 pounds of tomatoes. The second place will probably go to Miss Lizzie Kelley, of Union, S. C., with a yield of 4,375 pounds of tomatoes, and third place apparently will go to Miss Lucy P. Babe, Augusta, N. J., who raised 3,980 pounds of tomatoes. Agnes Fridell, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, with 3,403 pounds, and Isabel Davis, Summerfield Marion county, Fla., are also among the girls who have high yields for their tomato batches.

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With some of the shoes of Mathis, Kamm & Shibe taking with you their cordial holiday greetings and best wishes for many happy returns of the holiday season as they try to serve every one in the best possible manner.

HOLIDAY AT POSTOFFICE.

Dec. 25th will be observed as a holiday. There will be one general collection at 8:50 a. m. and one business delivery at 9 a. m.

Office will be open for delivery of mail from 9:30 to 10:30 a. m. Rural carriers will serve their routes as usual.

Parcel post carriers will make delivery.

John Reeve, Postmaster.

AUTO CLUB TO FEED KIDDIES.

Detroit, Dec. 24.—Thanks to the generosity of the Wolverine Automobile club 500 or more of the poor little boys and girls of Detroit are to be treated to a sumptuous Christmas dinner tomorrow in the convention hall of the Hotel Pontchartrain. A bountiful supply of roast turkey and all the "trimmings" will be provided, and when the hungry little boy at the table admits that he can eat no more, curtains at the end of the hall will be drawn and an electrically lighted Christmas tree will delight the children's eyes. Vaudeville entertainment and music by a big orchestra also will be included in the program of festivities.

Flash lights and batteries. Gay's Reliable Hardware.

CHRISTMAS AT RIDEAU HALL.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 24.—Christmas will be spent quietly in the capital, the chief interest centering around Rideau hall, where his royal highness, the Duke of Connaught, and his family will pass the day in old English style. Following his usual custom, the duke will attend church services at least once during the day.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE REPORT IS PRESENTED

Decrease in Appointments Is Shown By Comparison With Report For 1912.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The annual report of the Chief of the Appointment Division to the Secretary of Commerce for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913, has just been published.

At the end of the fiscal year there were in the Department 8,788 positions, of which 1,708 were in the District of Columbia and 7,080 outside. This shows a decrease of 1,176 as compared with 9,964 of August 24, 1912, in the last annual report. This decrease is accounted for by the transfer on March 4, 1913 and May 1, 1913, by operation of law of 1,814 positions to the Department of Labor, 1,766 of which were reported in the last annual report, 32 of which were the net increase in those bureaus from the date of the transfer to the new Department, forming the Department of Labor, and 1 of which were transferred from the office of the Secretary. The net increase in the bureaus remaining in the Department of Commerce was 590 positions. Miscellaneous employments by the bureaus of the number of 8,942 to which appointment is not made by the Secretary, were not included in these figures. Such employments were: rews on vessels in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 468; persons engaged in rodding, chaining, recording, and heliotroping, etc., in field parties of the Survey, 1,300; temporary appointments in the field operations of the Bureau of Fisheries, 3,988; mechanics, skilled tradesmen, and laborers in the Lighthouse Service under authority of Schedule A, subdivision 1, section 12 of the civil-service rules, 3,130; and 56 employees of the Treasury Department employed under various statutes on work for the Department of Commerce in connection with the field work of the Bureau of Navigation. Comparison is made with the figures of August 24, 1912, for the reason that the legislative, executive, and judicial acts for the fiscal year 1913 were not approved until August 23 and 24, respectively.

During the fiscal year 955 permanent appointments were made, 708 to competitive positions, 120 to unclassified positions, and 127 to unclassified positions, and 636 temporary appointments were made, thus making a total of 1,591 appointments. Separations numbered 1,521, of which 916 were from permanent positions and 605 from temporary positions.

COLD WEATHER TO GO BAREFOOT.

and no need of it when Frost & Nolley will shoe you so cheaply. They wish for everybody a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and the hope that all will be happy and prosperous.

XMAS PARTY FOR "SPUGS."

New York, Dec. 24.—"Not a lonely person on Christmas day!" is the motto adopted by the Spug society of New York, and in order to make the motto true, as all mottoes should be, the society has planned to give a mammoth Christmas party to the lonely ones tomorrow afternoon and evening in Grand Central Palace. It is to be a party for everybody, from grandma and grandpa down to the kiddies themselves. If the expectations of the promoters are fulfilled it will be the biggest Christmas party on record. A gigantic Christmas tree will be the centre of attraction and in addition there will be dancing and an old fashioned Christmas dinner.

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PLANS FOR ELEVATOR ARE PROGRESSING RAPIDLY

New Business Enterprise on the C. & A. Cut-off Backed By Wealthy Land Owners.

The plans for the proposed elevator at a station to be established on the Murrayville cut-off between Yoe-man and Huffaker are progressing in a very satisfactory way. The three commissioners who are taking the lead in the project are James Kenney, Anton Bergschneider and Thomas Six and they have recently closed a contract with the Chicago & Alton road for the necessary switch which will soon be built.

Plans for the new station have been drawn and it will not be long until it is erected and ready for the convenience of the residents of that vicinity. The necessary highway, providing a means of approach to the elevator site was secured recently and the rights thereto have been vested in the people. At a meeting to be held soon the election of officers and directors will be held. More than forty names already appear upon the list of shareholders and a glance at them is sufficient to show that they are among the wealthiest land owners in Morgan county. The elevator will be one of the largest in Illinois as it should be to take care of the crops in the fertile district in which it will be situated.

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GROWTH OF FARMERS' INSTITUTES IS SHOWN.

Great Increases in Number and Attendance Shown in Ten Years' Time.

The growth of the farmers' institute movement in the United States during the last decade has been steady. In the season of 1902-3 there were held 9,570 sessions of institutes in 41 states, as compared with 20,640 sessions held in 1912-13. The attendance in 1902-3 was 904,654; in 1912-13 it was 2,897,391 at the regular institutes. The increase in attendance at each session was 49 per cent, or from an average of 94.53 to 141. The appropriation increased from \$187,226 to \$510,784.

During the past year, notwithstanding the large growth of the extension movement by the agricultural colleges, the regular institutes have increased in attendance 346,192 and in the average number per session from 131 to 141.

Although institutes were held by all of the states and territories in 1913 excepting Louisiana, Nevada, Alaska, and Porto Rico, returns have been received from only 41 as against 45 last year. The states not reporting held 388 sessions in 1912, attended by 34,974 persons. If these states have held institutes in 1913 equal to those of 1912 the totals would be increased to 21,028 sessions and 2,932,365 attendance, or an increase of 1,598 sessions and 381,166 attendance, over the previous year. The institute has increased its constituency until it now numbers about 3,000,000 of rural people.

There is no way of accurately estimating the increased efficiency of the institute worker in recent years excepting that in the fact of all the other enterprises looking toward rural betterment he has not only maintained his position among educators as a teacher of advanced agriculture, but in the last decade his audiences have increased over 200 per cent. It should be stated that this entire movement has been initiated and conducted without national appropriation for its support and with a minimum amount of departmental aid, thus exhibiting an initiative vitality and capacity for service of the body of farmers.

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sary at the Wood Homestead.

The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Iven Wood was duly observed Wednesday with a family gathering, mention being made of the event in yesterday's Journal. There were forty-five persons in the company which gathered at the Wood home southeast of the city, including members of the immediate family and the occasion was one notable for pleasure.

The sumptuous dinner was served at noon and after its many courses had been disposed of the company spent the time in a social way and with music. It was recalled that Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood, the grandfather and Judge and Mrs. Samuel Wood, the parents of Iven Wood had also dwelt upon this same farm when their fiftieth anniversary arrived and so the talk naturally drifted toward the days that are gone and many were the pleasant reminiscences which were indulged in. A. A. Curry acted as toast-master and the following made appropriate responses, S. S. Wood, Mrs. J. B. Beckman, Mrs. J. J. Reeve, Iven Wood and J. B. Beckman. The last mentioned told of his first visit to the Wood home and of the lasting impression made upon his memory at that time.

The home had been very handsomely decorated for the occasion. Long, holly and pepper trees being used with very artistic effect. The pepper trees had been sent especially for the occasion, by A. L. Wood, now residing in California. Mr. and Mrs. Wood received a number of beautiful gifts including gold band dinner set, various members of the family presenting the different pieces. Among Mrs. Wood's gifts was a handsome gold necklace.

The company included five children, nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Wood. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. James Wood, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wood, Mrs. David Wood, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cox, Mrs. J. J. Reeve, Mrs. Hurd, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Woods, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wood and children, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wood and children, Leonard and Bernice Wood, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Beckman, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Curry, Albert Curry, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wood and children, Miss Elizabeth Wood, Truman and Grace Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Y. Gibson, Lloyd and Florence Cox, Mrs. Lizzie Wood.

It is not too late to send potted plants to your friends. An especially handsome display at Hehl's.

A STATEMENT

For the benefit of those who may have been told otherwise, I wish to state that the recent sale of my location and complete stock of Pianos and Player-pianos to the French & Sons Piano Co., is positive and unconditional and they are to remain permanently in Jacksonville as proprietors of said establishment. The French & Sons Piano Co., are manufacturers of a complete line of Pianos and Player-pianos, ranging from the quite reasonable in price to those strictly high grade in quality. This is the first instance in which piano manufacturers have established a retail business in Jacksonville and afforded our people the opportunity to buy DIRECT FROM THE MAKERS. With many years experience as a dealer, a tuner and a former factory employee, I do not hesitate to recommend the French & Sons line of pianos as representing reliable quality and worthy of the most careful consideration of every intending purchaser.

W. T. BROWN

A YEAR OF HAPPINESS.

Many people called at our establishment to view our Christmas display during recent days and many were the expressions of appreciation. Today we extend greetings and hope that prosperity and happiness will fall to the lot of everyone in Jacksonville during the coming year.

Thompson Produce Co.

DESCRIBES CONDITIONS IN SOUTHERN RUSSIA

JOHN A. GROVES SEES EMPIRE
AS LAND OF PROMISE.

Returning Wednesday After An Absence of Twenty-One Months, Mr. Groves Enjoys First American Christmas in Two Years—Tells of Russian Customs and Labor Conditions.

John A. Groves of 1301 Mound avenue is enjoying his first Christmas at home since 1911. He arrived in Jacksonville yesterday from Odessa, Russia, where for the past year and a half he has been selling plows for the Parlin & Orendorff Co. of Canton and doing his part to spread American agricultural methods and American progress in the southern portion of European Russia, a country which, he thinks, is just beginning a period of great development, offering a fertile field for the extension of American trade. Mr. Groves has been absent from home twenty-one months, having started for Russia April 8, 1912. On his return he left Odessa December 2, proceeded to Hamburg by rail, via Berlin, and crossed the ocean on the Hamburg-American liner, "Pretoria."

"Russia could feed the world, I have been told, if her soil were properly tilled," said Mr. Groves in speaking of the Russian outlook for agricultural development. "The people know nothing of intensive methods. They do not have to. Most of the farm land is in large estates on which whole families toil for mere pittance. With labor so cheap that an able bodied man will work all day for twenty-five cents, the rich landlords are satisfied if their land produces what we would call half a crop. It's hard work—this educating Russian people up to our standards of farming—but we are doing it, although slowly." Mr. Groves continued with a description of the labor conditions of southern Russia where the poor man finds it impossible to educate his children, little tots who are driven to hard labor soon after they have learned to walk. Alongside the Russian peasant, Mr. Groves said, the ordinary American laborer enjoys the luxuries of a king.

Some Russian Customs.
In Russia Christmas is celebrated the 7th of January, that country being thirteen days behind the rest of the world in its calendar. In 1912, accordingly, Mr. Groves witnessed the Christmas festivities twice, once in an English family December 25, and again in Russian fashion, January 7. The winters are very cold, even in southern Russia, Odessa being on the same isothermal line as Minneapolis. When arrayed in full winter costume the average Russian is a sight to behold. Over a garment of the weight and style of an American overcoat he draws on a second of almost double the weight, which, with its sheep skin lining, and large hood for the ears and face is as impervious to extreme temperatures as a clothes can be made. Traveling expenses are about as high as in this country. After renting a room, you have to pay extra for the lights, bed clothing and other comforts until, with the tips exacted, the price you pay for a night's lodging is steep enough. Meals are served on the European plan with varying degrees of elaborateness, so that prices for board may be gauged by one's taste. Railroad traveling is very slow, the average speed of a train being about fifteen miles per hour. Distances are measured in the time required to make a journey and not in miles.

Some Places of Interest.
Mr. Groves was stationed for some time at Sevastopol, that "grand old city of hills," which is very picturesque with its antique buildings and crooked streets with its many points of historic interest. Near it is the famous battlefield of Balaklava where the British cavalry made the "Charge of the Light Brigade," in the Crimean war. Sevastopol is quite a resort for the European traveling public and the tourist is beset at every point with some vendor of relics or souvenirs.

The Crimea is remarkable for its flatness. For miles, one can travel without catching sight of a hill or ravine. The country is one broad, vast fertile floor, capable of immense yields of wheat and small grains when the Russians awake to its full possibilities.

Odessa itself is a city of considerable note, occupying as it does a place of great importance in the trade of southern Russia. As large almost as St. Louis, it has the appearance of a modern city with tramways, electric lights and modern buildings.

A half day's railroad journey north of Odessa is a large estate on which the methods of agriculture are of the more progressive kind, indicative of better things for farming in Russia. The Grand Duke Michael, the owner of the estate, maintains an experiment station of his own and has railroads connecting the various villages on his land. With men such as the Grand Duke to lead the way and the American trader and manufacturer to help and supply high grade materials with which to work the day will come when Russia will be at the forefront of food producing nations.

Maple-moose, tuffruti, pineapple sherbet and caramel ice cream all make a pleasing dessert for your Christmas dinner. Order now from Vickery and Merrigan.

THE MERRY CHRISTMAS TIME.

The merry Christmas time is here and we extend to all our friends sincere congratulations, with the hope that we will be able to assist you in the future as well as we have endeavored to do in the past.

R. L. McGownd, Grocer, N. Main.

WE are largely what we are because of the loyal support of our many friends and trust that in the future we may receive, as we shall endeavor to deserve, a continuance of this spirit of friendship, loyalty and co-operation.

At this time therefore, we desire to extend appreciative thanks and most cordial greetings to all of our friends.

May the coming year hold for you only happiness, peace and prosperity.

MONTGOMERY & DEPPE

Three Hundred Twenty-five Pictures

Magnificent and elaborately framed that retail everywhere at \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00

On Sale This Week at

\$1.19 Cash

The International Picture Frame Co. of Chicago bought an entire Moulding Plant which was in financial difficulty. This is how it comes, that you can buy

\$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00 Pictures for \$1.19

The subjects comprise such variety as to enable selection of pictures for any room. A rare opportunity to buy a beautiful and acceptable Christmas present at unheard of low price

Will hold until Christmas if desired.

Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie

East Side House Furnishers.

HILLERBY'S WISH EVERYBODY EVERYWHERE

A Merry Christmas.

We thank you most sincerely for your good will and co-operation, and assure you we will try even more than ever to make our store

THE SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE

CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WILL PLEASE

Let us help you in your gift making affairs by suggesting that you make practical gifts. If you have never thought how practical a pair of shoes or slippers would be, just try and see how much they will be appreciated. Most people appreciate useful gifts most.

A long list of useful gifts—Shoes, House Slippers, Traveling Slippers, bed Slippers, Leggings. Over-gaiters, Shiners and other novelties.

HOPPER'S

Xmas Slippers
A Large Assortment of Choice Styles.

Xmas Shoes
A Practical Gift—a Pair or Shoes.



STATE BOARD OF HEALTH COUNSEL SHOT DOWN

CHARLES ALLING SHOT BY MAN WHOM HE HAD PROSECUTED

Injured Man's Right Eye is Removed in Endeavor to Save His Life —Frank Klimek, Who Fires Shot, Had Been Prosecuted By Alling For Practicing Medicine Without License.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Charles Alling, counsel for the Illinois State Board of Health and prominent socially and at the bar was shot down in his office today by Frank Klimek whom Alling had prosecuted for practicing medicine without a license. Alling's right eye was removed at a hospital in an endeavor to save his life. His recovery is expected.

Klimek fatally shot himself after wounding Alling. Peter H. Schwaba assistant counsel for the board of health was slightly wounded by Klimek.

Klimek, who was under sentence to pay a fine of \$200 had made several visits to Alling's office in an attempt to get the fine remitted and had threatened Alling. He repeated his demands today in the presence of a number of clients. Alling and Schwaba said they were willing to ask that it be reduced to \$100. Klimek shouted that that would not suffice as he did not have \$100.

"I won't go to the workhouse to serve a sentence," he cried and drew a revolver and began shooting. Alling is 49 years old and unmarried.

NOTICE

THE CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUB FOR 1914 WILL COMMENCE MONDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1913. THE AYERS NATIONAL BANK.

BADGER DRUG STORE. We appreciate the patronage of the past year and wish all our friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Telephone early this morning for blooming plants and we can make prompt delivery. Heint's.

WEIGAND'S MEAT MARKET. Our market will be opened till 9 o'clock today. We wish patrons and friends a very Merry Xmas and Prosperous New Year.

Don't fail to select that box of fresh candy today. Our stock includes Allegretti's, Huyler's, Whitman's, Appolo and the celebrated Dolly Varden chocolates. Vickery and Merrigan.

MORTUARY

Brady.

Mrs. Lee Deatherage received a message Tuesday morning announcing the death of her uncle, James Brady who passed away at his home in Winfield, Kan. The deceased was 87 years of age and spent most of his life in Versailles, where he was a very prosperous business man. He moved to Winfield a few years ago.

Mr. Brady was preceded in death by his wife who passed away about thirteen years ago. He is survived by five children: Sister M. Rosney of the Holy Cross order, who is teaching in Washington, D. C.; Joseph, Thomas, William and Nellie, all living in Winfield.

The remains will be taken to Mt. Sterling where funeral services will be held at St. Mary's church Friday morning. Mrs. G. W. Hamilton and Mrs. Deatherage, both neices of the deceased, expect to attend the funeral.

Sheppard.

Mrs. Norman Sheppard, aged 25 years died Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at her residence, 1030 Hackett avenue. Mrs. Sheppard was a daughter of Clark and Sarah Ann Brazel and was born in Virginia August 13, 1888. She was married to Norman Sheppard in Hannibal Mo., June 16, 1910 and is survived by her father, her husband and two brothers and sisters, Harley, John and Ruth Brazel. She was a member of the Christian church in Virginia.

Funeral services will be held at the late residence Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock and interment will be made in Jacksonville cemetery.

Trimmer.

Mrs. A. D. Hale of East Morton avenue received word Wednesday of the death of her grandfather, Anderson Trimmer at Peoria, aged 74 years. The family had lived the greater part of their lives in Mexican county.

BIG DANCE TONIGHT DEGAN'S HALL

Final clearing sale begins Friday. Choice of all our nobby coats and suits at positively just half the regular price.

\$20.00 coats or suits for \$10.00
\$25.00 coats or suits for \$12.50
\$35.00 coats or suits for \$17.50
F. J. WADDELL & CO.

HERE'S TO OUR FRIENDS.

Here's to our old friends and new friends and all who have stood by us in the year that is passing. We thank you all and wish you Christmas cheer.

Amos May, Barber.

Fresh roasted Jumbo peanuts 15c lb. Claus Ten Co.

CONDITION UNCHANGED.

A cablegram received Wednesday by F. E. Farrell from Mrs. C. A. Barnes stated that Judge Barnes' condition is practically unchanged.

SCHNEIDER FOUND INNOCENT OF MURDER OF J. H. LOGUE

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Harold Schneider was found not guilty today of the murder of J. H. Logue, a diamond merchant. The principle evidence against Schneider was given by John Faith who detailed an alleged confession to him by Schneider. Frank Johnston, assistant states attorney asserted that Schneider and Faith together had committed the murder. Logue was shot, stabbed and burned with acid in his office a year ago.

Wife Had Planned Suicide. Chicago, Dec. 24.—Mrs. Celeste Schneider planned to commit suicide in court today if her husband was found guilty. This fact became known after the clerk read the verdict exonerating Schneider and his wife fainted.

As the clerk began to read Mrs. Schneider rose, resting an arm on her husband's shoulder for support. In her other hand she held a handkerchief close to her face. When the verdict "not guilty" was read the woman swooned. After being revived she exhibited to her husband and his counsel a vile of poison which she had concealed in her handkerchief.

"I had made up my mind that I wouldn't see Harold go to the gallows," she said.

Ladies, swell coats of velvet, plush, chinchilla, astrachan, brocades etc.—rich silk linings—all at half regular price Friday.

F. J. WADDELL & CO.

CITY STEAM DYE WORKS.

We are grateful to friends for their liberal patronage the past year and wish them a Merry Christmas and prosperous New Year. E. A. Schoedsack.

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GOOD WISHES TO ALL.

Our confectionary store has been a mecca for candy buyers. We thank all for liberal patronage and wish everyone a merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Mullenix and Hamilton.

Big sale begins Friday. Every coat and suit at absolutely half-price.

F. J. WADDELL & CO.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of Arthur Seymour will take place Saturday morning at 10 o'clock from the Providence church in charge of Rev. John Kettie. Interment in the Providence cemetery.

A blooming plant makes the choicest Christmas remembrance. Order from Heint's.

FUNERALS

Osterholt.

Funeral services for Charles H. Osterholt, who passed away at the home of his parents in Ashland Sunday, December 21, were held at the Methodist church in Ashland Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. W. H. McPherson. The remains were brought to this city Wednesday morning via the Chicago & Alton and interment was made in Jacksonville cemetery.

Mr. Osterholt, whose home was in Chicago, had been in ill health for some months, but his condition did not become serious until a few days ago. He went to Ashland for a visit with his parents December 16, and the following Friday was taken ill and died while his parents were away on a visit.

The deceased was a man highly respected and esteemed by a wide circle of friends.

Charles H. Osterholt was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Osterholt of Ashland and was born August 25, 1870. He was married March 7, 1893 to Miss Lyla Reed of this city, who preceded him in death about three years ago. Besides his parents he is survived by two sons, Lloyd and Ralph, both of whom reside in Indiana. He is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Frank Ehrig of Chicago, Mrs. Howard Dunlap of Moberly, Mo.; Mrs. Lewis Hewitt of Ashland, William Osterholt of Los Angeles, Cal.; and Fred Osterholt of this city.

Daniel.

The funeral of Mrs. Leta May Daniel was conducted Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from Methodist church in Franklin, in charge of Rev. Peter Kittel, assisted by Rev. J. E. Teaney of the Christian church. There was a large attendance and the services were impressive.

Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Miss Lucile Olinger, Mrs. Curtis Scott, Edgar Eador, Lora Seymour, with Miss May Boulware as organist. The many beautiful flowers were tenderly cared for by Mrs. Earl Carlisle, Miss Vivian Reinbach and Mrs. Clara Tribble.

Interment was made in the Franklin cemetery and the honorary bearers were Mrs. Zelda Smith, Mrs. Irene Statts, Miss Phiena Whitlock, Mrs. Ruth DeSilva, Miss Myrtle Jones. The active bearers were Marvin Roberts, George Jolly, Claude Hart, Owen Mann, Grover Grimsley, Clarence Reid.

Vertrees

Impressive funeral services were held for the late Dr. C. M. Vertrees in the Baptist church at Murrayville Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. In charge of Dr. G. W. Miller of Woodson, assisted by C. S. McCullom, pastor of the Murrayville, M. E. church and Rev. Howard Trickey of Manchester. There was a large number present to pay a last tribute of respect to one held in such high esteem.

Music was given by J. H. Dial, Mrs. Iva Short, Miss Stella Cunningham and Clarence Cunningham, with Mrs. Nettie Million at the piano. Capt. John E. Wright sang a solo, "Wrap the Flag around me boys." The flowers which were many and appropriate were cared for by Mrs. C. S. McCullom and Mrs. Thomas Tissington.

Members of the Odd Fellows took a part in the exercises at the church and at the grave the Masons had charge. Interment was made in Gunn cemetery and the active bearers were Messrs. Benjamin Cade, Roy Clark, William White, W. B. Worrell, Edward Brady of Woodson and William Galloway. The honorary bearers, all of whom were old soldiers, were Capt. John E. Wright, John Boruff, W. D. Henry, Elijah Million, J. K. Cunningham and John Bleming.

250 beautiful coats and tailored suits for ladies and misses—every garment of the choicest material and down to the minute style—cut to just half-price, beginning Friday, Dec. 26.

F. J. WADDELL & CO.

OUR BEST WISHES.

To all our customers new and old we extend our best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

Lance L. Waterfield, Grocer.

PIANO MAN THANKFUL.

C. A. Sheppard, the Piano man, desires to thank friends for liberal patronage, wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

THREE WISHES

We wish you a merry and a joyful Christmas.

We wish you a happy and prosperous New Year.

We hope that our mutual relations may continue during the coming year as in the past.

—That you may say: "I have been well served by the house of

MYERS BROS."

WE extend to you in all sincerity, the season's greetings, and wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

THE ANDRE & ANDRE STORE

H. M. Andre	Peter Leonard	Henry Pinkerton
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Along with thanks for the generous patronage extended us during the past year we offer our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

TAYLOR'S GROCERY